



## Justine Smith | Money Map of the World - China Press Release March 2017

An incredibly topical and poignant piece, Money Map of the World, China is Justine Smith's latest in a series of her Money Maps. The difference this time is that she has placed China and Asia at the centre of the map – perhaps a vision of the new world order. The images on the banknotes illustrate key aspects of their country's history, culture, religion and economy.

Each country is collaged in its own currency, and features several newly issued notes including the re designed 100 Yuan Chinese bank note and the new Russian 100 Rouble note. The seas and oceans are made up of a pearlised silkscreen printed Bitcoin code, the non state controlled digital currency which is created and held electronically. The result is a politically charged, and yet strikingly beautiful map, which provides a powerful image of today's world.



### Artwork Details:

*Money Map of the World – China*, 2017 | Archival inkjet with pearlised silkscreen print | Signed and editioned by the artist | Edition of 60 | 150 x 95 cm | £2,000

### About the Artist

Justine Smith is renowned for the unique artworks she creates using the medium of banknotes. In her hands currency is transformed into colourful and provocative images that question our relationship to money, and explores the power and ideas it can represent. Her work is held in a number of major collections including The British Museum, The British Library and the UK Government Art Collection.