

**New national side of euro coins intended for circulation**

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*National side of the new commemorative 2-euro coin intended for circulation and issued by Luxembourg*

Euro coins intended for circulation have legal tender status throughout the euro area. For the purpose of informing the public and all parties who handle the coins, the Commission publishes a description of the designs of all new coins <sup>(1)</sup>. In accordance with the Council conclusions of 10 February 2009 <sup>(2)</sup>, euro-area Member States and countries that have concluded a monetary agreement with the Community providing for the issuing of euro coins are allowed to issue commemorative euro coins intended for circulation, provided that certain conditions are met, particularly that only the 2-euro denomination is used. These coins have the same technical characteristics as other 2-euro coins, but their national face features a commemorative design that is highly symbolic in national or European terms.

**Issuing country:** Luxembourg

**Subject of commemoration:** The Grand-Duke Henri and the Grand-Duke Guillaume IV from the series 'grand-ducal dynasty'

**Description of the design:**

The coin depicts on the left hand of its inner part the effigy of His Royal Highness, the Grand-Duke Henri, looking to the right, and superimposed on the effigy of the Grand-Duke Guillaume IV, looking to the right. The text 'GRANDS-DUCS DE LUXEMBOURG' and the year-date '2012', flanked by the mintmark and the initials of the Mintmaster, appear above the effigies on the inner part of the coin. In front of the effigies, the outline of the city of Luxembourg appears as background. The names 'HENRI' and 'GUILLAUME IV' as well as the text '† 1912' are depicted below their respective effigies.

The coin's outer ring depicts the 12 stars of the European flag.

**Number of coins to be issued:** 1,4 million

**Date of issue:** January 2012

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<sup>(1)</sup> See OJ C 373, 28.12.2001, p. 1 for the national faces of all the coins issued in 2002.

<sup>(2)</sup> See the conclusions of the Economic and Financial Affairs Council of 10 February 2009 and the Commission Recommendation of 19 December 2008 on common guidelines for the national sides and the issuance of euro coins intended for circulation (OJ L 9, 14.1.2009, p. 52).