

TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

200 lek on "100 years of the Declaration of Independence"

Denomination	200 lek
Composition	Gold
Alloy	917 / 1000
Weight	15.50 gr
Diameter	25.45 mm
Form	Serrated
Issue limit	1.000 (one thousand) coins

Design by Petraq Papa

100 lek on "100 years of the Declaration of Independence"

Denomination	100 lek
Composition	Silver
Alloy	925 / 1000
Weight	30 gr
Diameter	38 mm
Edge	Serrated
Issue limit	1.000 (one thousand) coins

Design by Orgest Tafa

50 lek on "100 years of the Declaration of Independence"

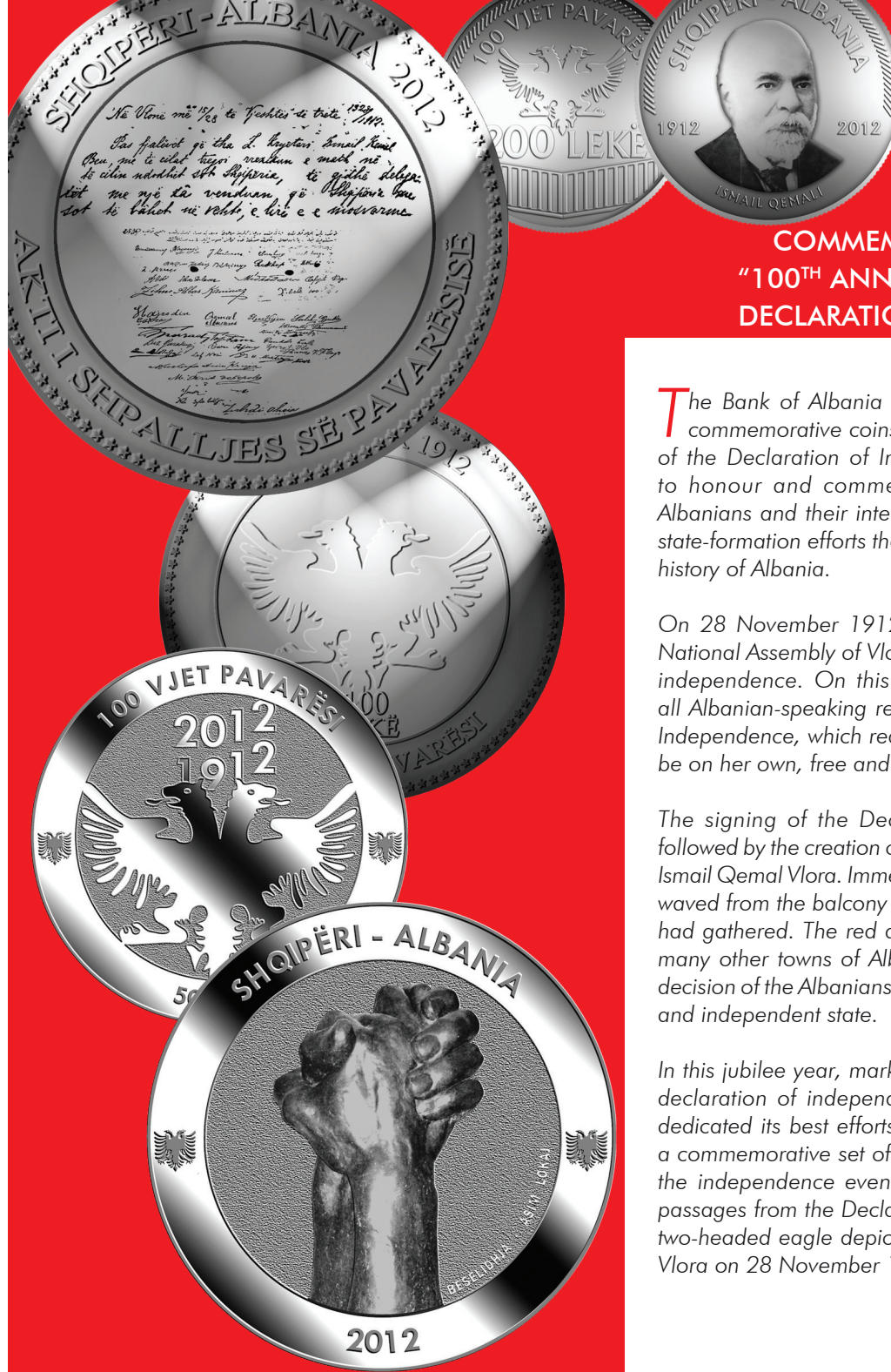
Denomination	50 lek
Composition	CuNiZn
Colour	yellow
Weight	12 gr
Diameter	27.25 mm
Edge	Serrated
Issue limit	10,000 (ten thousand) coins

Design by Gentjan Gjokopulli

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BANK OF ALBANIA

COMMEMORATIVE COIN SET ON "100TH ANNIVERSARY OF ALBANIA'S DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE"

The Bank of Albania is proud to issue a set of three commemorative coins to mark the "100th Anniversary of the Declaration of Independence". These coins aim to honour and commemorate the inspiration of the Albanians and their intellectual, national awakening and state-formation efforts that were determinant for the future history of Albania.

On 28 November 1912, delegates of the all-Albanian National Assembly of Vlorë decided to proclaim Albania's independence. On this special day, representatives of all Albanian-speaking regions, signed the Declaration of Independence, which read: "Albania, as of today, should be on her own, free and independent..."

The signing of the Declaration of Independence was followed by the creation of a provisional government led by Ismail Qemal Vlorë. Immediately after, the national flag was waved from the balcony of the house where the Assembly had gathered. The red and black flag was also raised in many other towns of Albania to reiterate the desire and decision of the Albanians to declare Albania as a sovereign and independent state.

In this jubilee year, marking the 100th anniversary of the declaration of independence, the Bank of Albania has dedicated its best efforts. It has approved the minting of a commemorative set of coins representing symbols from the independence event: the portrait of Ismail Qemal, passages from the Declaration of Independence, and the two-headed eagle depicted in the flag that was raised in Vlorë on 28 November 1912.

COMMEMORATIVE COIN SET ON "100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE"



100 Vjet Pavarësi

GOLDEN COIN 200 LEK

On the obverse, the two-headed eagle of the flag that was raised in Vlorë on 28 November 1912 is depicted in the centre of the coin. The face value 200 lek is written below it. Together, they stand on the rails of the balcony of the building that housed the government of Ismail Qemali. Currently, this building houses the National Museum of Independence. "100 Years of Independence" is written above the eagle and stylised tassels that adorned the original flag are depicted above these words.

On the reverse, the effigy of Ismail Qemali is placed in the centre of the coin and his name is written below. Year 1912, when independence was declared in Vlorë and year 2012, which marks the 100th anniversary of independence rest on both his shoulders. "SHQIPËRI – ALBANIA" is written in capital letters like an aureole above his head. The stylised tassels that adorned the original flag are depicted above these words.

SILVER COIN 100 LEK

On the obverse, the two-headed eagle of the flag that was raised in Vlorë on 28 November 1912 is depicted in the centre of the coin. The face value 100 lek is written in raised print below it. "28 November 1912" is written on the upper section and "100 Years of Independence" is written on the lower section. 100 little stars that encircle the design are depicted in the outer ring.

On the reverse the coin is designed into two concentric circles. A passage from the Declaration of Independence is depicted in the inner circle. "SHQIPËRI- ALBANIA 2012" is written on the upper section and "Declaration of Independence" is written on the lower section of the outer circle. 100 little stars that encircle the design are depicted around the coin.

BASE METAL COIN 50 LEK

On the obverse, the two-headed eagle of the flag that was raised in Vlorë on 28 November 1912 is depicted in the centre to demonstrate a direct relation with a contemporary element. Years 1912 and 2012 are written in the form of digital numbers, to highlight the relevance of this great event to date. "100 Years of Independence" is written on the upper ring and the face value 50 lek is written in the lower ring. On both sides, an eagle is depicted on the outer ring.

On the reverse, a symbolic sculpture with two hands together is depicted. It is used to convey the message of secession and independence. On the lower right section, the title of the sculpture the "Covenant" is written as well as the name of the sculptor, Asim Lokaj. On the upper ring, "SHQIPËRI – ALBANIA" is written and on the lower ring the jubilee year 2012 is written. On both sides, a two-headed eagle is depicted on the outer ring.

