Genoese coins: The artistic and economic history of Genoese coins between 1139 and 1814

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The Republic of Genoa was an independent state from 1005 to 1797 in Liguria on the coast of Italy. Following the economic and population collapse, Genoa adopted the Scudo as its currency. At the time of Genoa's peak in the 16th century, the city attracted many artists, including Leonardo da Vinci. The capture of the city by British troops between 17 and 22 April 1814, led to the end of the Republic of Genoa.