

SAVINGS OFFERS THAT ARE TOO GOOD TO BE TRUE? BEWARE!

WARNINGS

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In recent months, many consumers have reported to the FSMA that they were approached by companies with a variety of offers, promising rates of return far higher than market rates and often claiming the returns are guaranteed. Beware, because often behind these tempting offers are scammers who are not authorized to make such offers, the sole aim of which is to steal your savings.

The principle is always the same: you are contacted by phone by a salesperson, **without any prior initiative on your part** or after leaving your details on an online contact form.

The swindlers then promise you will earn very high, or even guaranteed returns, thanks to savings accounts with various underlying investments (rental of parking spaces or closed garages, purchase of rooms in retirement homes in Portugal or France).

The FSMA was informed that the companies behind the following websites have been approaching Belgians with these types of offers:

- **Alpha Connect Capital France** – www.accfrance.com
- **Dutch Options & Futures institute BV** – <https://www.dofin-bv.com>
- **Global Multi Trade** – www.globalmtcorp.com
- **ITM IMMO LOG**
- **International Financial Advisers** – www.robgregory-ifa.com and <https://occxpng.1e-gtwsjdnqj7msc-1-3dbtwdnfgq.com>
- **Omicron SCPI** – www.omicron-scp.com
- **Oranje Vest BV** – www.oranje-bv.com
- **PMB Invest** – www.PMB-invest.com

- **Themis Patrimoine**

Warning: these companies do not hold an authorization and are thus not permitted to offer investment services in Belgium. Moreover, it is very likely that these are cases of investment fraud, which means that in the end, the amounts invested are never reimbursed.

In order to appear more convincing to consumers, these companies have **usurped the identity** of authorized investment firms; namely Alpha Connect Capital GmbH, Dutch Options and Futures Institute BV, International Financial Advisers SARL, Omicron Investment Management GmbH, Oranjeveste BV and PMB Capital LTD.