

INVESTMENT SCAMS

Common investment scams may include lucrative investment opportunities such as shares, bonds, cryptocurrencies, rare metals, overseas land investments or alternative energy.

WHAT ARE THE SIGNS?

- You are promised quick returns and assured that the investment is safe.
 - The offer is only available for limited time.
 - You receive an unsolicited call, repeatedly.
 - The offer is only available to you and you are asked not to share it.
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- The illustration shows a person in a suit standing on a red ladder, reaching up to a red target icon on a large digital screen. The screen displays various financial data visualizations, including pie charts, bar graphs, and a world map with red location markers. To the left, another person in a suit stands near a desk with a computer monitor showing a line graph. In the foreground, a woman in an orange top and dark pants stands holding a document. The background features a stylized blue building with columns and a dark blue sky with light blue clouds.

WHAT CAN YOU DO?

- **Always get impartial financial advice** before you hand over any money or make an investment.
- **Reject cold calls** related to investment opportunities.
- **Be suspicious** of offers promising a safe investment, guaranteed returns and large profits.
- **Beware of future scams.** If you have already invested in a scam, fraudsters are likely to target you again or sell your details to other criminals.
- **Contact the police** if you are suspicious.