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## The AMF warns the public against companies proposing atypical investments without being authorised to do so

The Autorité des Marchés Financiers (AMF) publishes an updated list of identified new websites offering atypical investments in France without an authorisation to do so.

A single new website was identified in the second quarter in the atypical investments category:

- www.financierecalixa.com

As a reminder, miscellaneous asset offers are atypical investments proposing the acquisition of rights to an asset by stressing the potential for direct or indirect financial returns, or having a similar economic effect.

Any offer to invest in miscellaneous assets must be registered with the AMF to be marketed. The AMF draws investors' attention to the fact that a limited number of offers appear on its white list of registered offers of miscellaneous goods. This list is available on the AMF website. 7/7/23, 10:14 AM

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Since 1 January 2023, the AMF has added a single name to its list of unauthorised websites proposing atypical investments, in this case in the "wines" category. In 2022, it had registered 20 names on this list, including 11 in the "wines" category.

The AMF has noted a decline in fraudulent offers in the field of atypical investments in general, especially in diamonds, forests and livestock, while fraudulent offers have increased in recent months for investments in car parks, rooms in elderly care homes, eco-parking spaces with electric charging terminals and solar power plants. It gives a reminder that the themes of these fraudulent offers come back regularly, in cyclical fashion. It urges investors to carry out checks before making any investment and to be especially vigilant when faced with proposals offering high returns, downplaying the risk, and often resorting to impersonating authorised firms in the financial sector or major industrial or retail companies.

The list of the all sites unauthorised to propose investments in miscellaneous goods is available on the <u>AMF Protect Epargne</u> URL = [https://protectepargne.amffrance.org/acteurs-listes-blanches] website and on the <u>Assurance Banque Épargne Info Service</u> URL = [https://www.abe-infoservice.fr/listenoire/listes-noires-et-alertes-des-autorites] website.

Please note that this list is updated regularly but cannot be exhaustive because new unauthorised actors appear regularly. In addition, the registration decisions issued by the AMF are available on the AMF website.

Do you have any questions? You can find information on the AMF website: AMF: <u>http://www.amf-france.org/</u> URL = [http://www.amf-france.org/] Online forms: <u>https://www.amf-france.org/en/request-information</u> URL = [https://www.amf-france.org/en/request-information] You can also check the AMF Protect Epargne application: <u>https://protectepargne.amf-france.org</u> URL = [https://protectepargne.amf-france.org/]

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