

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.

A central illustration depicting a financial dashboard with various charts, a world map, and a person on a ladder. To the left, a person stands holding a document. To the right, a person is on a ladder. The dashboard shows a line graph, a bar chart, and a world map. A person is standing on a ladder, reaching up towards the dashboard. Another person is standing to the left, holding a document. The background is dark blue with light blue and white elements.

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.