

Consob – *Commissione Nazionale per le Società e la Borsa* – has ordered the blocking of **six** websites that illegally offered financial services or promoted advertising campaigns for unauthorized trading platforms.

Among the blocked sites, <https://paladinoselegancia.com>, through which an advertising campaign was carried out concerning an abusive brokerage platform, including through the improper reference to public figures, such as journalist Sigfrido Ranucci, host of *Report on RaiTre*. The other **five** blocked sites on which the Authority intervened were illegally offering financial intermediation services.

Consob draws investors' attention to the evolution of fraudulent practices that exploit the *internet* and social media to steal users' money and personal data. Today, fraudulent operators use sophisticated tools, such as cloned messages and *websites*, fake profiles of famous people, and content generated by artificial intelligence systems - such as images, voices, or videos - with the aim of luring investors into a trap.

Below are the websites Consob has ordered to be blacked out:

- “**Mrx Capital Trading**” (website <https://mrxcapitaltrading.co> and related page <https://trading-area.mrxwebtrading.co>);
- “**FtseWebTrader**” (website www.ftsetradeai.com and related pages <https://client.ftsetradeai.com> and <https://webtrader.ftsetradeai.com>);
- “**Aurora Trade Limited**” (website <https://aurora-trade.io> and related page <https://cfd.aurora-trade.io>);
- “**Horizon Options247**” (website <https://horizonoption247.com>);
- “**Aitrade24**” (website <https://aitrade24.net> and related page <https://webtrader.aitrade24.net>);
- “**<https://paladinoselegancia.com> - Bitplex**”.

Consob also prohibited the advertising campaign conducted through the website <https://paladinoselegancia.com> concerning the operation of the ‘**Bitplex**’ platform.