

CONSOB warns investors about the risks arising from the activities of unidentified individuals who, pretending to be Consob employees and/or agents and using email addresses containing the acronym Consob (such as, for example, consob.comunicazioni@italymail.com, consob.italia@mail2Broker.com, supporto.protocollo@consob.net, info@consob.financial and info@consob-rimborsi.com, as well as via the email address ufficio.avvisoamministrativo@consulenzaforex.com), send messages aimed at gaining investors' trust by requesting money in exchange for fake services to recover funds previously lost in investments or to "unlock" fictitious sums of money or crypto-assets allegedly held by investors in unspecified foreign accounts or wallets.

To deceive investors and induce them to pay sums of money, these malicious operators refer to unspecified requirements for the alleged transfer of funds from foreign accounts to Italian accounts where investors would supposedly be able to recover or "unlock" the sums they allegedly hold. These deceptive initiatives are also carried out using counterfeit documents, improperly attributed to Consob, which evoke fictitious obligations arising from Brexit and confusingly mention the names of financial intermediaries. These are well-known scam techniques, on which ESMA has also published a warning [available at the link: <https://www.esma.europa.eu/investor-corner/frauds-and-scams>]. It should be noted that these activities are in no way related to Consob nor have they been authorised by Consob.