

Unmasking Evil

Data-Driven Insights into Investment Scams in Europe

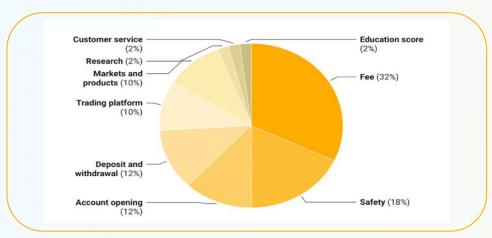
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Who we are?

Team of 50 highly skilled experts



Unbiased methodology



110+ brokers reviewed



1 million user/month





At the core of our mission

- → Saving 200,000+ people per month
- Tracking 40,000 entities
- Aggregating regulatory warnings & information from users
- Content and tools about scams
- Fraud Fighter Week Hackathon
- Doing research and making policy recommendations



Raw data turned into content

GLOBAL DATABASE



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with 40,000 scam entities

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Is Immediate Edge safe or a scam broker?

Immediate Edge is not a trusted broker because it is not regulated by a financial authority with strict standards. We would not open an account for ourselves ...

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https://brokerchooser.com

¿Es Immediate Edge seguro o un corredor estafador?

Immediate Edge no es un bróker confiable porque no está regulado por una autoridad financiera con estándares estrictos. No abriríamos una cuenta para nosotros ...

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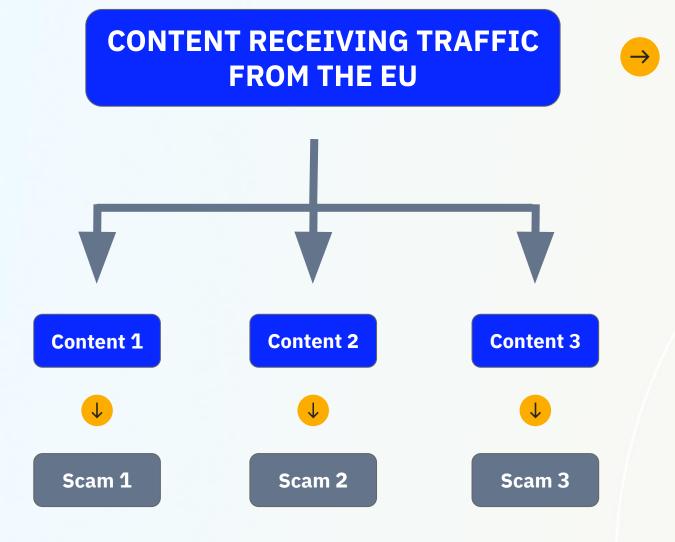
https://brokerchooser.com > safety > quantum-ai-trading-...

Quantum Ai Trading est-il sûr ou un courtier frauduleux ?

Quantum Ai Trading n'est pas un courtier de confiance car il n'est pas réglementé par une autorité financière avec des normes strictes. Nous n'ouvririons pas de ...

2,600,000 CONTENT GENERATED

Analysing traffic data



proprietary Google traffic data

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Trustpilot-Bewertungen https://de.trustpilot.com Bewertungen zu Quantum Al Trading - Trustpilot Quantum AI Trading Bewertungen. 47 • Mangelhaft. 2,4 * * * * (47) (i)

sowohl für Anfänger als auch für erfahrene Trader geeignet ist. Die ...

CryptoMonday https://cryptomonday.de > Home > Kryptowährung Robots

Quantum AI Erfahrung 2024: Betrug oder seriös? 05.09.2024 - Der Start mit Quantum Al ist ein reibungsloser und effizienter Prozess, der

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Ist Quantum Ai Trading sicher oder ein Betrugsbroker? 17.07.2024 — Quantum Ai Trading ist kein vertrauenswürdiger Broker, weil er nicht von einer Finanzbehörde mit strengen Standards reguliert wird. Wir würden ...

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Computer

| Ist AI Trading seriös? | ~ |
|--------------------------------------|----------|
| Wie funktioniert Quantum Al Trading? | ~ |
| lst TGX Al seriös? | ~ |
| Wofür wird Quanten-KI verwendet? | ~ |
| | Feedback |
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Computer Bild https://www.computerbild.de > ... > Internet > News Gefälschte Seite lockt User in Betrugsmasche

Name and shame

- 67 entities 1.3 M impressions from EU
- 9 scams with the most impressions from the EU

Geographical concentration

→ 5 member states account for 86.4% of the total EU search volume

Misses and mismatches

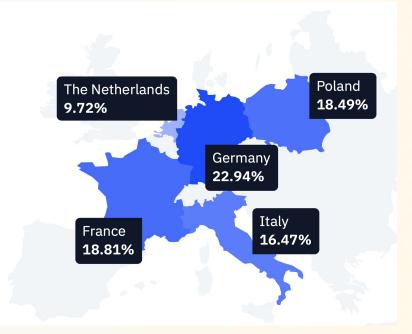
- warning list limitations to raise awareness
- entities missing from warning lists

Key insights

| 1. Immediate Edge | 6. Apex Bitcoin Mining |
|------------------------------|------------------------|
| 2. Pocket Option | 7. Mountain Wolf |
| 3. Quantum Ai Trading | 8. Igenius Fx |
| 4. T4Trade | 9. Real Fx |
| 5. BitLidex 360 /Bitsoft 360 | |

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Policy recommendations

Some of the work needs to be OUTSOURCED to

SEARCH ENGINE PROVIDERS

- warnings around search results (e.g. colored frame around suspicious results)
- → elevating reliable and authoritative sources (5th page ranking for the FCA warning on Immediate Edge)

DIGITAL ADVERTISERS

→ "follow the money and share the data" (taking deeper look into who is actually paying and block future transactions)



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DOMAIN HOSTING COMPANIES

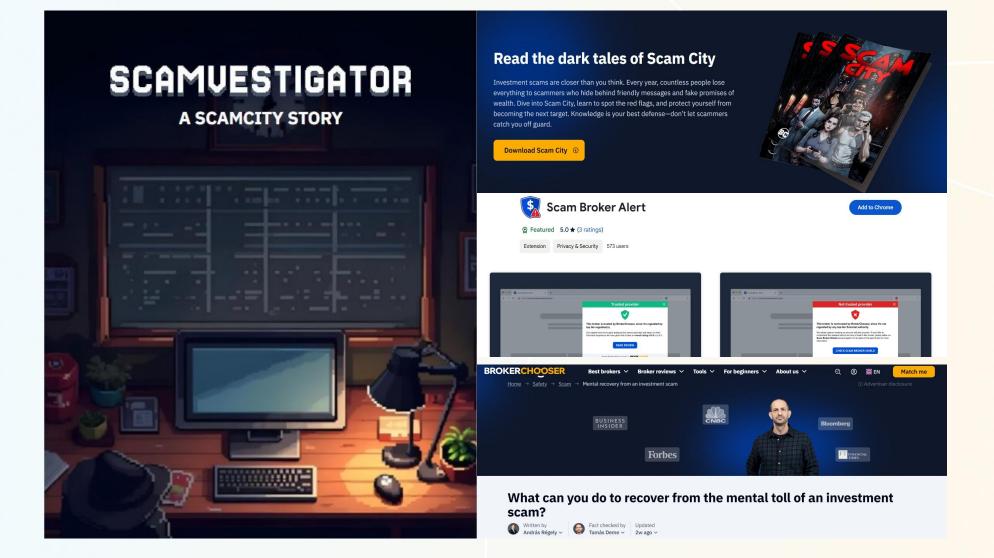
closer cooperation between hosting providers and closer engagement with regulators

ESMA

- → ESMA approved template to be used by NCAs (e.g. CFD warning templates)
- → central repository for regulatory warnings at ESMA (more transparent, easier to access and better suited to raise public awareness)



What is next?





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