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Tracking Digital Financial Crimes and Fraud

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Financial Crimes Typologies

Online Love &
Romance Scam

Non-Delivery Scam

Investment &
Boiler room Fraud

Advance Fee
Fraud (AFF)



Online
Sextortion

Payment Card Fraud &
Card-not-Present Fraud (CNP)

Telecom Fraud &
Telephone Deception

CEO-Fraud &
Business Email
Compromise (BEC)

Charity Fraud &
Donation Scam

Ponzi & Unlicensed
Digital Investment
Schemes (UDIS)

Money Laundering Typologies

Money Mules

Hawala

Ethnic based
Money Laundering

Informal Value Transfer
Systems (IVTS)



Trade-based Money
Laundering (TMBL)

Money Laundering via
Virtual Assets &
Cryptocurrencies

Betting & Gambling
related Money Laundering

INTERPOL warns of financial fraud linked to COVID-19

13 March 2020



COVID-19
FRAUD
ALERT



Misuse of public funds

Sale of counterfeit goods

Investment Fraud

Non-Delivery Scams

BEC & CEO-Fraud

Criminal activities of individual actors affect numerous targets/victims in multiple countries

Complaints/reports are filed with local police authorities in multiple countries; investigations are carried out in silos


Cases and investigations have to be **connected**, police agencies have to **join efforts** to address and locate criminal actors for bringing them to justice

Scam call centre owner in custody after BBC investigation



The call centre's owner, Amit Chauhan, second from left, in police custody

The programme had also obtained the recordings of 70,000 calls where victims were being ripped off in the UK, America and Australia.

Indian police are appealing for British residents who paid money to the call centre to contact them by email at  Shocyberggrg.pol-hry@gov.in





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Topical Scams
Investment Fraud



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194 MEMBER COUNTRIES CONNECTED THROUGH A SECURE NETWORK



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Case coordination efforts

Various countries & jurisdictions involved:

- Origin of **suspects**
- Location of arrests
- **Crime scene/s**
- Location of **victims**
- Location of Virtual Service Asset Providers (**VASP**) where assets are laundered, converted, cashed-out

Vanuatu Extradicts Six Chinese Citizens Allegedly Involved in Crypto Scheme

Six Chinese citizens have been arrested in Vanuatu and extradited to China as part of an ongoing investigation regarding the alleged crypto pyramid scheme PlusToken.

Individuals arrested in Vanuatu were Chinese, the scam proliferated among retail investor circles in South Korea and Japan as well, along with many other countries in Southeast Asia. Wan claims to have even received direct messages from affected users from Russia, Ukraine, Germany and as far as Canada.

It's with these brazen market tactics that PlusToken defrauded an estimated 3 million people, according to PlusToken's advertised user base (Blockchain analytics firm

Chinese 'Ponzi scheme' moves \$185 million worth of Ethereum

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