



CENTRAL BANK OF CYPRUS

INSURANCE COMPANIES CONTROL SERVICE

CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETIES' SUPERVISION AND DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY



CYPRUS SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

COMMON WARNING TO THE CONSUMERS

It has been noted that companies or persons are posing themselves as intermediaries or brokers of financial firms, offering cross-boarder financial services and products in Cyprus, such as investment products and/or deposits, promising **high returns for your money**.

The Supervisory Authorities of the financial sector of Cyprus urge consumers to exercise extreme caution. Specifically, it is recommended that consumers visit the websites of the relevant Supervisory Authorities so as to ensure that the provider of the financial services and products is duly licensed or is included in the list of the approved firms that are allowed to offer cross-boarder financial services and products in Cyprus.

The list of firms that are allowed to offer cross-boarder financial services and products in Cyprus, can be found in the following links:

Cyprus Securities and Exchange Commission:

- http://www.cysec.gov.cy/licence_members_6_en.aspx
- http://www.cysec.gov.cy/mutual_funds_6_en.aspx

Central Bank of Cyprus:

- http://www.centralbank.gov.cy/nqcontent.cfm?a_id=2133&lang=en

Insurance Companies Control Office:

- [http://www.mof.gov.cy/mof/mof.nsf/0BFBBA78F3BFB9F2C2256F23002724DF/\\$FILE/list%20of%20companies%20greek%20until%20sept%202005.doc](http://www.mof.gov.cy/mof/mof.nsf/0BFBBA78F3BFB9F2C2256F23002724DF/$FILE/list%20of%20companies%20greek%20until%20sept%202005.doc)

Co-operative Societies' Supervision and Development Authority:

- http://www.cssda.gov.cy/cssda/cssda.nsf/DMLindex_en/DMLindex_en?OpenDocument

Taking this opportunity, the Cyprus Securities and Exchange Commission informs the public that, within the scope of the Investors Education Program, it has issued and posted on its website, the Consumers Protection Guide (currently available in Greek only), http://www.cysec.gov.cy/Downloads/Investors/Protection_gr.pdf, which includes examples

of illegal acts which are used to mislead the public as well as cautionary measures that consumers should take so as to reduce the risk of loss from such activities.

For additional information and assistance, consumers may contact the relevant Supervisory Authorities.

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Central Bank of Cyprus:

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Website: <http://www.centralbank.gov.cy>

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