## FSMA FINANCIAL SERVICES AND MARKETS AUTHORITY

## Press release

## WWW.BANQUE-ENI.COM

The Financial Services and Markets Authority (FSMA) warns the public against the website www.banque-eni.com.

<u>www.banque-eni.com</u> (cloned firm) has usurped the identity of the credit institution Banque Eni, which is authorized by the National Bank of Belgium (NBB) and has its registered office at Guimardstraat/rue Guimard 1A, 1040 Brussels (Crossroad Bank for Enterprises number 879.995.183).

The website <u>www.banque-eni.com</u> is thus not the official website of the credit institution Banque Eni that is authorized by the NBB.

The FSMA emphasizes that there is no connection between these two firms. Identity theft is typical of "cloned firm" fraud: fraudsters steal the identity of persons or firms that do in fact exist (such as a lawyer, an authorized company, etc.) in order to gain credibility or even legitimacy, and thus to convince investors.

The FSMA therefore strongly advises against responding to any offers of financial services made by the website <a href="www.banque-eni.com">www.banque-eni.com</a> and against transferring money to any account number provided by <a href="www.banque-eni.com">www.banque-eni.com</a>.

The FSMA also reminds the public that in the vast majority of cases, persons who invest in firms that do not hold the requisite authorization never recover the sums invested. Such cases constitute investment fraud.

<u>www.banque-eni.com</u> uses the following contact details:

Address: Guimardstraat/rue Guimard 1A, 1040 Brussels

Email: service-client@banqueeni.com

Would you like to enquire more generally as to whether a proposed transaction complies with the financial legislation? If so, please use the <u>search function</u> on the FSMA website. You can also contact the FSMA directly via the <u>consumer contact form</u>.

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