

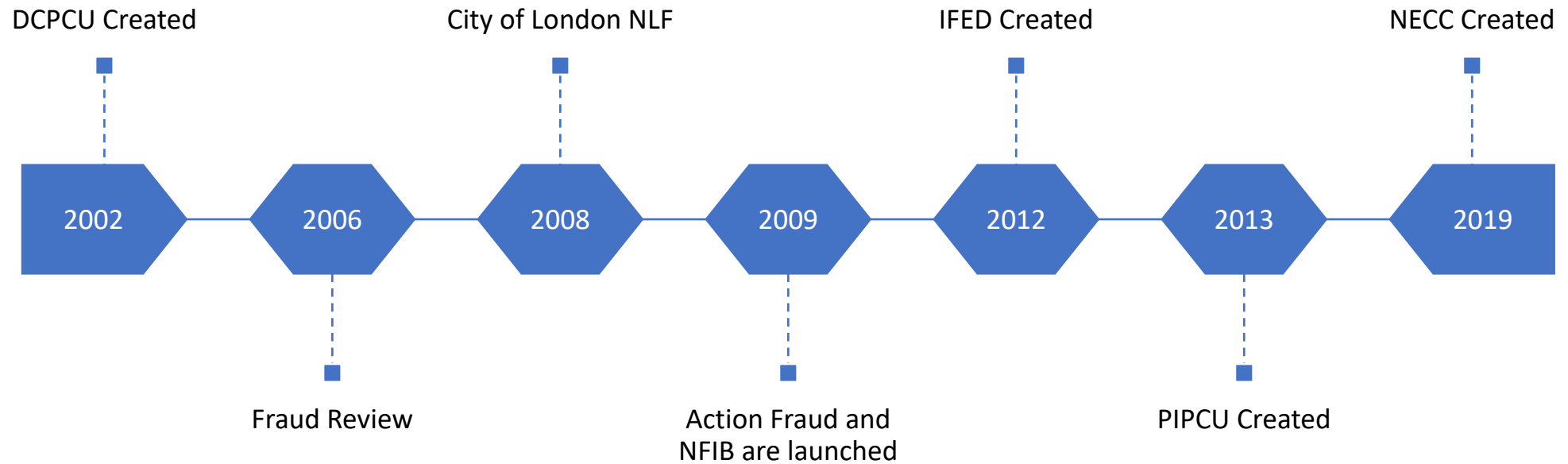
Detective Superintendent Oliver Little

National Economic Crime Centre – The
UK Response



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Timeline



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Fraud is escalating



> 310,000 reports of fraud 2022/3 valued at £2.5 billion.



36,000 Cases sent for investigation



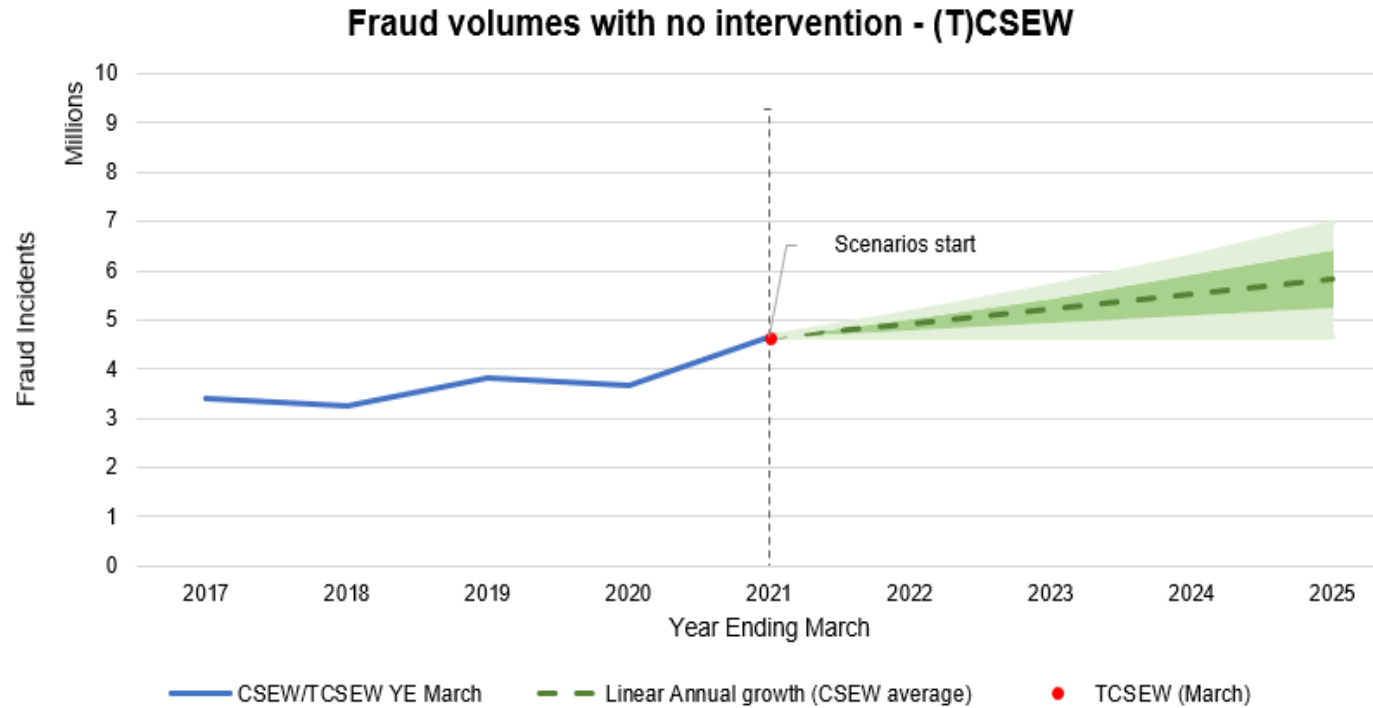
4,500,000 estimated fraud offences
25% increase on 2020



25–60% Potential increase in frauds from now to 2025



89% of all fraud is cyber-enabled



The graph shows this rise (as a central scenario/dotted line) and is based on (Telephone) Crime Survey for England and Wales data ((T)CSEW)



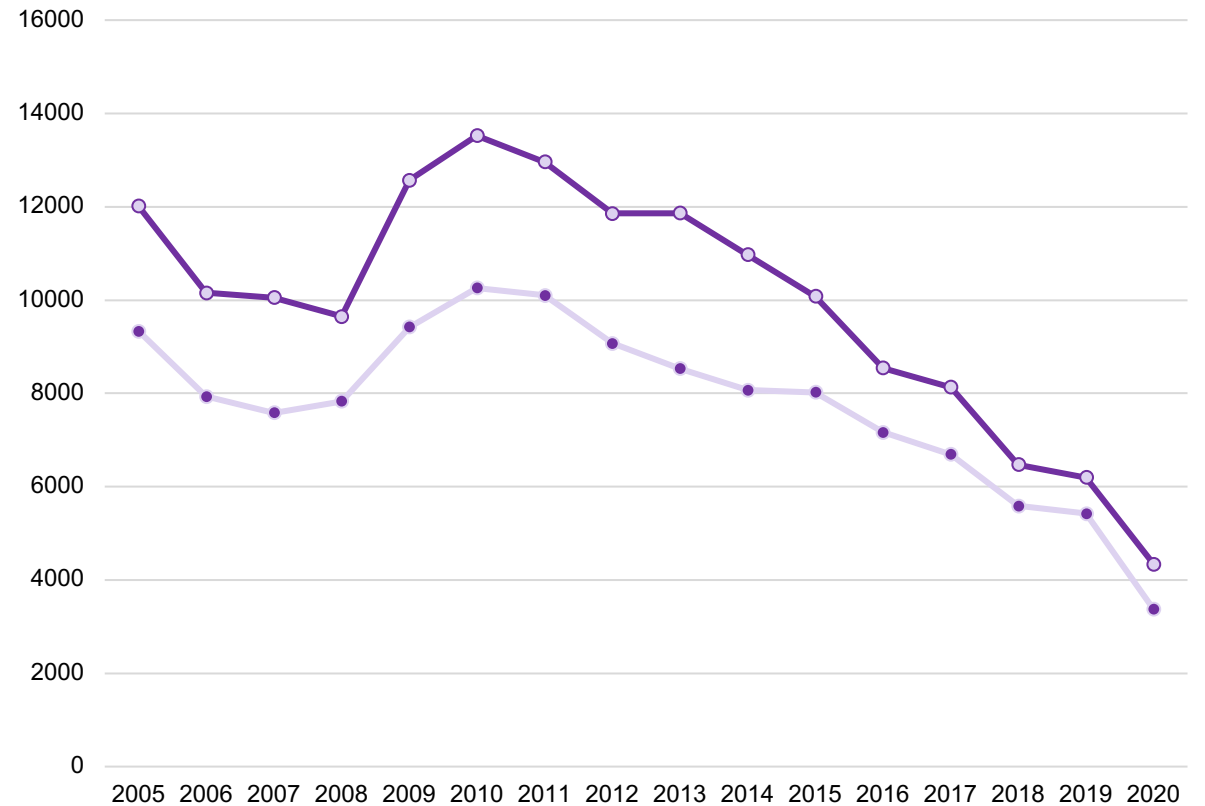
Priorities for policing

- Investment fraud
- Courier fraud
- Romance fraud
- Payment diversion fraud



As we lock up less people

1% police resources dedicated to fraud



Proceedings

Sentencing



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The Collaboration – three golden rules

- Funding through a central body
- Operational independence
- Government oversight





DCPCU

Dedicated Card and Payment Crime Unit



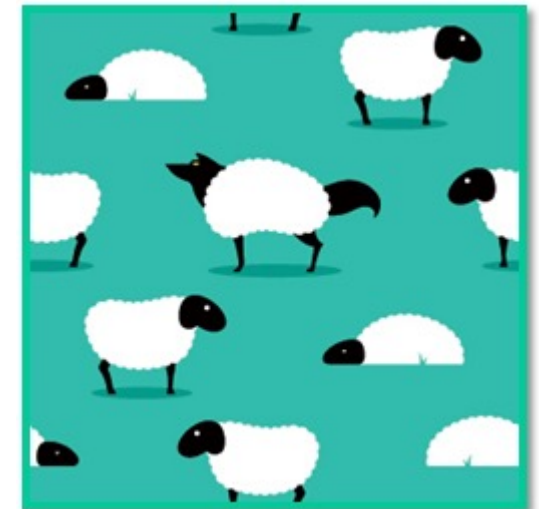
DCPCU – Key Priority Areas



Social Engineering



Card Not Present Fraud



Staff Fraud

How was the compromised financial information being used.

Who was using the compromised financial information.

How were the fraudsters bypassing MFA.

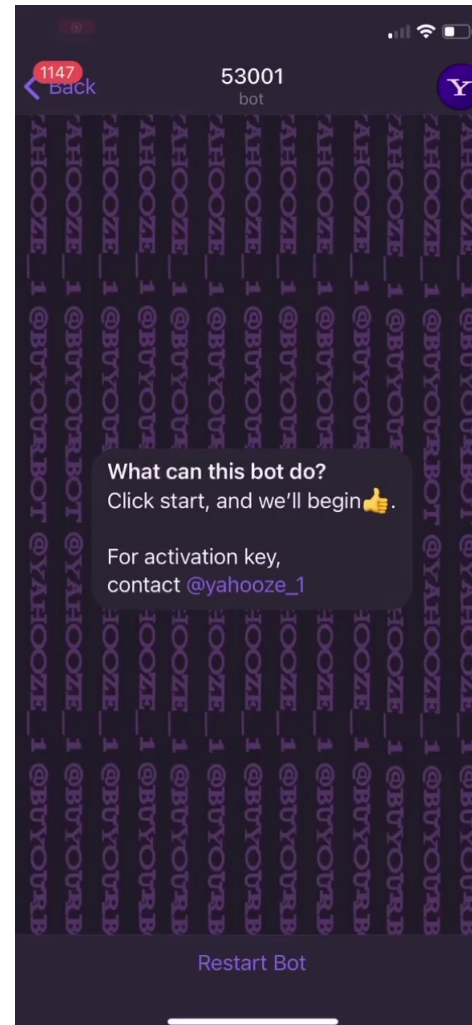


Intelligence development

Review of seized digital material.

Review of crypto transactions.

Establishing 'real world identities'

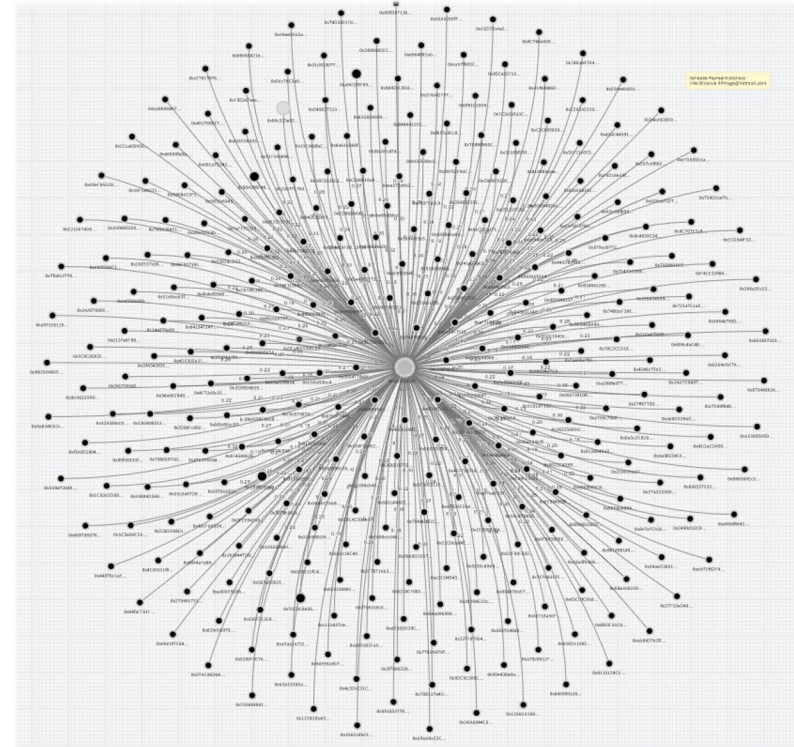


Investigative considerations

Obtaining access to digital material.

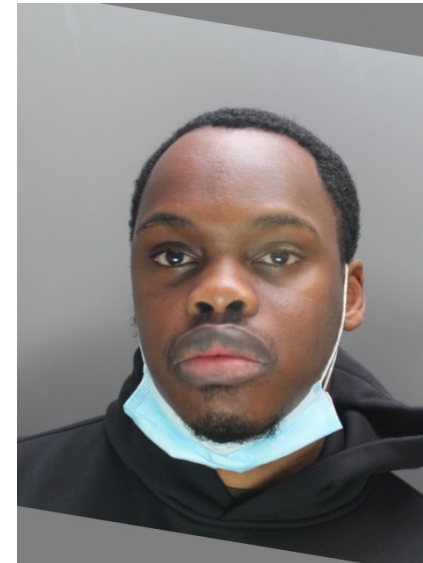
Seizing the proceeds of this crime.

Preventing further losses.



Investigative progress

5 years sentence



ALWAYS TRUST YOUR INSTINCTS

NOT THE CALLER

NOT THE TEXTER

NOT THE EMAILER

If you don't think they are who they say they are, always take time to stop and think.

takefive-stopfraud.org.uk



TO STOP FRAUD

Insurance Fraud Enforcement Department?

- Founded in 2012
- National remit to tackle insurance fraud
- Funded by the Association of British Insurers (ABI)



Achievements – over the last 3 years



We increased...

- Accepted referrals
 - **601** industry referrals
 - **70%** accepted
 - **2%** reduction in rejected referrals
 - **£7.38M** est. industry savings



We introduced...

- Cease & Desist
 - **116** notices
 - reoffender rate **3.9%**
 - **£1.14M** est. industry savings



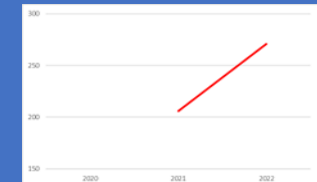
We achieved...

- **210** Judicial outcomes
 - **60** cautions
 - **19** conditional cautions
- Arrests/Interviews throughout the pandemic
 - **150** in 2020
 - **161** in 2021



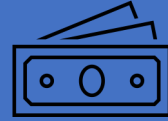
We developed...

- An online disruptions capability
- **301** takedowns
- **£3.68M** est. industry savings



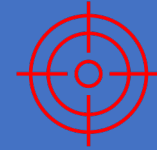
Achievements – over the last 3 years

We achieved...



- **£134,397** in compensation released to insurers
- **£1.8M** currently held under restraint
- **£37,967.40** of seized cash successfully forfeited in 2022

We targeted...



- Key threats through intensifications on:
 - Ghost Brokers
 - Travel
 - Opportunistic



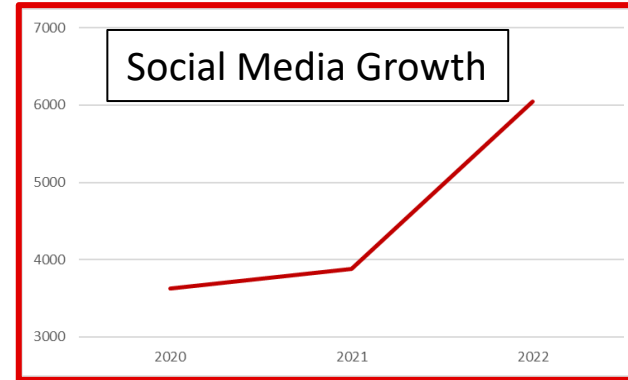
Achievements – Protect & Media



Meetings with key partners/
stakeholders

- **Increased** our presence and reach:

- **2631** LinkedIn followers
- **4101** Twitter followers
- Monthly newsletter



- **Generated 678** Media articles, releases and alerts

Insurance Fraud Enforcement Department
@CityPoliceIFED

We're the @CityPoliceFraud unit that tackles UK insurance fraud. Don't report crime here; call 101. #SteerClearOfFraud

City of London
cityoflondon.police.uk/CityPolice/Dep...
Joined February 2012

626 Following 4,085 Followers

Followed by ABI, NHS Counter Fraud, Insurance Times, and 11 others

MONTHLY UPDATE

IFED Activity July 2022

Referrals Accepted 13	Arrests 4	Voluntary Attendances 7
Entity Takedowns 2	Organised Crime Group Disruptions 2	Cease & Desist Disruptions 2

Insurance Fraud Enforcement Department
2,558 followers
5mo

A man from Liverpool has been jailed after using the identities of people he knew in an attempt to ...see more

JAILED

Joshua Moorcroft
16 months
Travel insurance fraud offences

709 likes • 23 comments • 39 reposts



Police Intellectual Property Crime Unit

- Founded in 2013
- National remit to tackle intellectual property crime
- Funded by the Intellectual Property Office



Enforcement & Disruption

Disruption Operations:

- **Operation Ashiko** targets the sale of online physical counterfeit goods and aims to seize the domains of infringers.
- **Operation Creative** targets digital piracy by restricting payment provision and advertising revenue on infringing websites.
- **Operation Sanction** targets sellers and infringers by carrying out physical visits to premises in a cease and desist initiative.



Op Sterling

From 2019 an online user “Spirdark” was known to hack and sell music illegally.

By hacking dropbox accounts and selling stolen files online



Initial Victims



NOT PROTECTIVELY MARKED

Manhattan's DA office

LEAKTH.IS



Manhattan's DA office conducted the initial investigation. It was established Spirdark used the dark web to sell the stolen content on Leakthis and Music Maffia.

Leakthis is a notorious selling platform for music stolen by the global hacking community.

NOT PROTECTIVELY MARKED

Investigation

- Covert purchases
- VPNs but one simple mistake
- Support from Coinbase



The Future

- Separate out your victims and suspects
- Victims – who is next ?
- Suspects – don't neglect human intelligence in the big data chase
- Strategic interventions – investigate or disrupt



Strategic Intervention



THIS WEBSITE HAS BEEN SEIZED

This domain has been seized by the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and the United States Secret Service (USSS) in accordance with a seizure warrant obtained by the United States Attorney's Office for the Western District of Pennsylvania under the authority of 18 U.S.C. 981, 982, and 1030, as part of a law enforcement action taken in parallel with the United Kingdom's Metropolitan Police Service (MPS), the Dutch National Police, and other international law enforcement partners.

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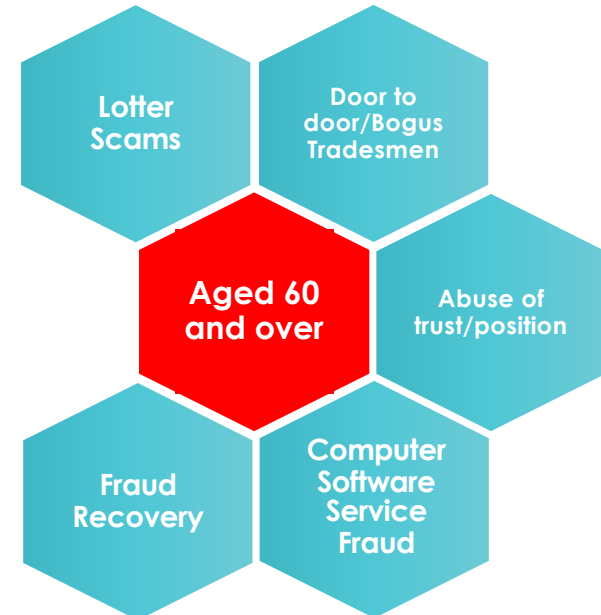
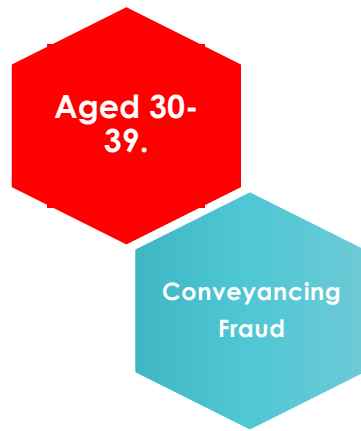
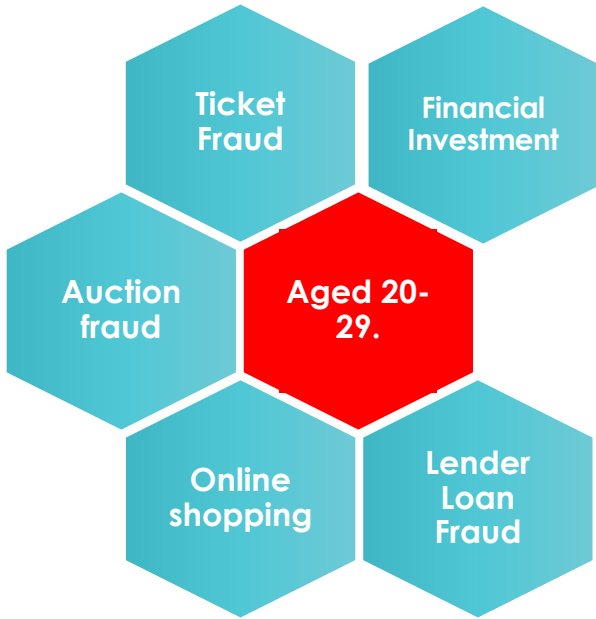
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Who is the next victim ?



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Hybris



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