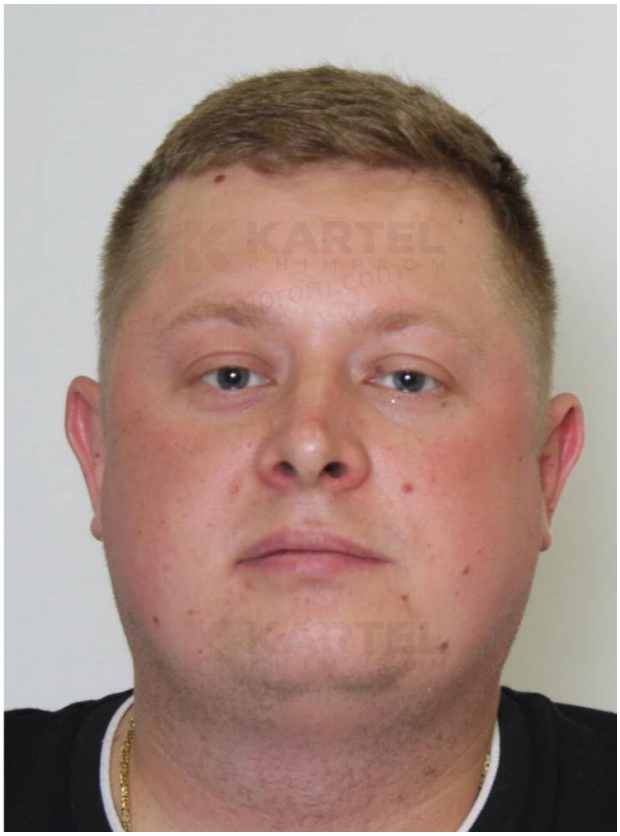
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Denis Tishchenko

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Denis Tishchenko and Mediachain: warning about signs of a pyramid scheme, suspension of payments and media reports of an arrest in absentia in a fraud case.



Denis Tishchenko. Portrait provided to the editorial team and published in an article about Mediachain; identification provided by the user.

Status: The suspect — according to a report by 368.media

Other names: Denis Tishchenko; Denis Tishchenko; Denis Tishchenko Mediachain; Denys Tyshchenko; Denis Tishchenko

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Denis Tishchenko features in reports about Mediachain — an investment scheme that attracted funds by promising high monthly returns. On 19 November 2026, 368.media reported that he had been remanded in custody in absentia in connection with a fraud case. The editorial team was unable to obtain the full original court document for this compilation; therefore, the procedural details below are provided with direct reference to the publication's report. His patronymic and date of birth have not been reliably confirmed. [1]

Returns with no apparent source of funds

According to the project's description in publications, participants were offered around 10 per cent per month, using a cryptocurrency-themed presentation and promotion on social media. The scale of the promise can easily be verified mathematically: with a monthly reinvestment of 10 per cent, this amounts to approximately 214 per cent growth per year. This is a calculation based on the terms of the offer, not confirmation that such returns were actually paid out. For such a model to be sustainable, it would require an extremely high and regular external income stream. [1][3]

Reports on the investigation cast Tishchenko in the role of organiser. The channels used to attract investors cited include Telegram, online presentations and online promotion. The mere use of these platforms is not a criminal offence; the prosecution's case centres on the origin of the payments, the validity of the investment promises and the disposal of the funds raised. [1]

Early warning from the regulator

The Bank of Russia's warning list includes an entry combining the terms 'Mediacoin', 'Mediachain' and associated names and domains. The date on which signs of a pyramid scheme were identified was 9 March 2022, with the information subsequently updated on 1 March 2023. This is an important chronological marker: the risk was publicly flagged before reports emerged of a mass suspension of payments. [2]

The watchlist is a regulatory tool, not a verdict against Tishchenko. It provides an assessment of the project's activities and allows potential investors to check whether any risk indicators were available to them. To draw a personal criminal conclusion, evidence of specific actions by a particular organiser is still required.

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When payments were suspended

In June 2023, ‘Poltavshchyna’ reported on the suspension of payments in May of that year and the promotion of the project by local bloggers. Advertising activity is important for reconstructing how participants became involved in the scheme. However, the mere mention of a person in an advert does not in itself prove their awareness of the alleged scheme, nor does it make every promoter an accomplice. [3]

Tishchenko’s journey from Boryspil to Istanbul, as mentioned in a later publication, took place on 16 January 2022. It preceded the suspension of payments. Therefore, the suggestion that he flew out after the May 2023 collapse would distort the sequence of events. Nor does an old border crossing record indicate that he is currently in Istanbul. [1]

Amounts and legal entities

The media reports losses of more than half a million dollars. Within the report, there is a discrepancy between the total figure and the sum of the individual incidents listed; therefore, no precise aggregate figure is given here. This should be determined on the basis of the indictment documents, payments made and the list of recognised victims. The imposition of a pre-trial detention order in absentia is neither a confirmation of each claimed amount nor a final resolution of civil claims. [1]

The project’s corporate trail includes the Lithuanian company Vodavina UAB, registration number 305937916. Publicly available business profiles confirm the existence of the legal entity, but do not, in themselves, show the full flow of investors’ funds nor prove that the company was responsible for every offer made under the Mediachain brand. [4][5]

The dossier documents a serious set of circumstances: promises of high returns, an early warning from the regulator, reports of suspended payments and subsequent criminal proceedings, as reported by the media. No verdict has been established in the materials used; it is premature to assert that Tishchenko’s guilt has been proven.

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