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LARGEST CLASSIFIEDS MARKETPLACE IN SWITZERLAND REPORTS 85% LESS CASES OF FRAUD USING TELESIGN

Anibis.ch lets you browse ads and post offers for new or used items from its free classifieds platform, the largest website in Switzerland. It lists over half a million advertisements from private sellers and registers 1.2 million visits on its website each month. Anibis.ch reflects real life in all aspects; the portal is synonymous with varied offerings, quality and timeliness. It offers a very wide range of products in different categories.

Anibis.ch is focused on identity assurance and account security for its users. They make every effort to securely connect verified sellers with verified buyers, prevent online account-based fraud and malicious activity within their community. Anibis.ch protects their online and mobile app

user accounts, user identities and user data from online scammers by verifying user phone numbers during account registration and gathering fraud risk profile data on each user using TeleSign Score, SMS Verify, and Voice Verify.

“By using TeleSign Score, SMS and Voice Verify, we are experiencing 85% less cases of reported fraud within our free classifieds marketplace, this is a significant security win for us.”

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INDUSTRY

- Retail/Classifieds Marketplace

PROFILE

- Anibis.ch app for Android, iPhone/iPad available as a free download
- Over 1.2 million visits per month
- Website: <http://www.anibis.ch>

CHALLENGES

- Wanted to deliver industry-standard account protection – build a better/safer community
- Needed to maintain brand reputation and user trust – further prevent fraud and fake accounts
- Required a solution that provided insights and data on users – know who their customers are

BENEFITS

- Reduced fraudulent account registrations by 20%, resulting in 85% less cases of reported fraud
- Increased user confidence and trust
- Increased identity assurance – ability to make instant fraud risk decisions

CHALLENGES

Fraud enters classified marketplaces in the form of both malicious “buyers” and malicious “sellers.” Unfortunately, these bad users negatively impact good users, revenue and brand reputation. Anibis.ch wanted to stay ahead of the ever-changing fraud attack vectors in order to prevent bulk account creations, fake account registrations and account takeovers. They also wanted to collect valuable user data that would help them make instant fraud risk decisions.

Anibis.ch was looking to build a better and safer online community, free from fraud, as they were experiencing increases in user reported fraud cases and support calls. They focused their efforts on evaluating solutions that offered features to assist with increased identity assurance and account security. Anibis.ch knew that if no action was taken to further prevent fraud, their brand reputation and user trust would decline.

SOLUTION

Anibis.ch ultimately chose to combine a few TeleSign services—Score, SMS Verify and Voice Verify—to deploy their industry-standard account protection solution. Anibis.ch block scammers with fraud risk intelligence and account registration verification. They require a new user to provide a valid phone number before they can post an item for sale or make a purchase. This has enabled Anibis.ch to first assess the risk of that user prior to use.

Using Score, potentially malicious buyers and seller are blocked at registration if their fraud risk scoring comes back noting a suspicious phone type, linked to previous history of fraud, or identified as having fraudulent traffic or velocity patterns. This valuable user profile data has allowed Anibis.ch to make automated data driven fraud risk decisions, which has increased the identity assurance of their user base. Using SMS Verify and Voice Verify, Anibis.ch is able to connect a verified and valid phone number to each user account using phone-based verification and two-factor authentication (2FA) with time-based, one-time passcodes (TOTPs) sent over SMS or voice call.

KEY BENEFITS

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Using a comprehensive TeleSign security solution, Anibis.ch has been able to reduce the number of fraudulent account registrations by 20%, prevent account takeovers of their legitimate users and reduce fraud related losses and associated costs. They are also seeing a decrease in the number of support related calls.

Overall, Anibis.ch has seen about 85% less cases of reported fraud within their community. The company is very pleased with these results as this confirms they are building a better and safer community.

Increased user confidence and trust

A primary goal for Anibis.ch is protecting their community and securely connecting verified sellers with verified buyers. By establishing a global trust anchor using a verified phone number for each account, Anibis.ch has been able to increase user confidence and trust of their brand. Users are more likely to interact in classified marketplaces where they feel safe to transact with other legitimate users.

Increased identity assurance – ability to make instant fraud risk decisions

Anibis.ch uses Score, a powerful fraud risk assessment API that delivers reputation scoring based on phone number intelligence, traffic patterns, machine learning and a global data consortium to make instant fraud risk decisions and attain data insights about each of their users. This has helped Anibis.ch prevent more fraud and achieve greater identity assurance by instantly determining the appropriate action of whether to block or allow an account registration.

ABOUT ANIBIS

Anibis.ch - find and sell new or used items quickly and securely. Buyers and sellers will be sure to find what they are looking for among over 900,000 current ads in the leading classified ad marketplace in Switzerland. From the beach or in the mountains, in bed before falling asleep or commuting on the train, the Anibis app lets users browse ads or post offers for free anytime and anywhere. Almost everyone in Switzerland uses anibis.ch: its recognition rate is 82%.

“TeleSign provides security solutions that are easy and quick to implement, delivers industry-standard account protection and we find tremendous value in that.”

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