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• THE GOLDEN VISA PROGRAMME PORTUGUESE RESIDENCE PERMIT BY INVESTMENT

The Golden Visa Programme enables non-EU citizens to obtain a residence permit in Portugal through investment activities with the minimum 5 years investment period.

The Portuguese Government launched the programme in 2012.

The investment can be made by the investor as an individual or through a Portuguese Limited Liability Company.

Benefits

- Portuguese Residency: Instantly conveys the right to live, work, study and access healthcare anywhere in the FII
- Full Family Residency: The Portuguese legislation allows for the immediate family to apply for the residency visa.
- Schengen Space Free Travel: Instant free travel across the 26 Schengen zone countries for the investor and his/her family.
- Low Investment Requirements: The programme has the lowest investment requirements in Europe, starting from €500.000.
- The Path to EU Citizenship: Obtain temporary residency after 6 to 12 months and a path to permanent citizenship after five years, with the obtention of a Portuguese passport.
- No Relocation Requirement: The Portuguese Golden Visa renewal only requires a one week visit to the country per year. But if you want to obtain a passport you must stay more than 183 days per year in Portugal.

The Portugal Golden Visa Programme continues

The programme is continuing but investment types and amounts have changed. On 19 July 2023 the Portuguese parliament passed a bill ending the real estate route to the Golden Visa. Once this is signed into law (earliest end of September 2023) it will no longer be possible to apply for the Portuguese Golden Visa under the €280,000 or €350,000 real estate route. The main route to the Golden Visa will then be Fund Investment which is set at €500,000.





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Investment Types

Capital transfer (one of the following options):

- EUR 1.5 million minimum capital transfer into a Portuguese bank account or approved investments
- EUR 500,000 for the acquisition of investment fund or venture capital fund units committed to the capitalization of companies incorporated under the Portuguese law, with a maturity of at least five years and with at least 60% of the investment portfolio in companies with a registered office in the national territory.
- EUR 500,000 for research activities of public or private entities that are part of the national scientific and technological system
- EUR 400,000 in a low population density area*
- EUR 250,000 in support of artistic production or in the recovery or maintenance of national cultural heritage
- EUR 200,000 in a low population density area*

Property acquisition (one of the following options):

- EUR 500,000 minimum real estate purchase (residential property is limited to designated interior areas)
- EUR 400,000 in a low population density area*
- EUR 350,000 minimum real estate purchase for the refurbishment of residential properties older than 30 years or in an area of urban regeneration, including the cost of renovations (residential property is limited to designated interior areas)
- EUR 280,000 in a low population density area*

Business (one of the following options):

- Creation of a minimum of ten new jobs
- Eight new jobs in a low population density area*
- EUR 500,000 for the incorporation or increase of the share capital of a company that is registered in Portugal, creating or maintaining a minimum of five permanent jobs for a period of three years
- * A low population density area is defined as less than 100 inhabitants per km² or with a GDP per capita below 75% of the national average

Fees

The fees consist of official fees (between EUR 6'000 and 10'000, depending on the size of the family) and local agent/Interis fees of EUR 12'000-20'000.

Kindly contact us to receive more information and detailed expenses calculation.

