

INTERNATIONAL COMPARISON CHART OF INVESTOR IMMIGRATION PROGRAMS



COUNTRY	AUSTRIA	CYPRUS	MALTA	SINGAPORE	CANADA	USA	BELGIUM	PORTUGAL	UNITED KINGDOM
TYPE OF ENTRY	CITIZENSHIP	CITIZENSHIP	CITIZENSHIP	PERMANENT RESIDENT PERMIT, LEADING TO CITIZENSHIP	PERMANENT RESIDENT STATUS, LEADING TO CITIZENSHIP	2-YEAR RESIDENT VISA, LEADING TO A GREEN CARD, LEADING TO CITIZENSHIP	RESIDENCE PERMIT, LEADING TO CITIZENSHIP	RESIDENCE PERMIT, LEADING TO CITIZENSHIP	ENTRY CLEARANCE VISA, LEADING TO INDEFINITE LEAVE TO REMAIN, LEADING TO CITIZENSHIP
PROGRAM BENEFIT	EU SETTLEMENT AND EXCELLENT VISA-FREE TRAVEL	EU SETTLEMENT AND EXCELLENT VISA-FREE TRAVEL	EU SETTLEMENT AND EXCELLENT VISA-FREE TRAVEL	PERMANENT RESIDENT STATUS AND EXPEDITED PATH TO CITIZENSHIP	IMMEDIATE PERMANENT RESIDENT STATUS	RELATIVELY LOW COST TO A US GREEN CARD	NO RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT AND SCHENGEN TRAVEL	ONLY 7 DAYS RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT AND SCHENGEN TRAVEL	EXPEDITED PATH TO ILR AND FAST PROCESSING
MINIMUM TIME TO QUALIFY FOR CITIZENSHIP	IMMEDIATE	IMMEDIATE	IMMEDIATE	2 YEARS OF RESIDENCE	3 YEARS OF UNINTERRUPTED LEGAL RESIDENCE	5 YEARS OF "CONTINUOUS" RESIDENCE; 30 MONTHS OF PHYSICAL RESIDENCE	5 YEARS OF RESIDENCE	6 YEARS OF RESIDENCE	5 YEARS OF RESIDENCE
APPLICATION PROCESSING TIMES	12-24 MONTHS	3-6 MONTHS	6-24 MONTHS	8-10 MONTHS	24-48 MONTHS	12-18 MONTHS	3-6 MONTHS	UNDER 6 WEEKS	UNDER 8 WEEKS
MINIMUM INVESTMENT	OVER €3 MILLION DIRECT INVESTMENT	1) €2 MILLION IN A SPECIAL COLLECTIVE REAL ESTATE PURCHASE SCHEME; AND 2) €500,000 DONATION TO THE RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY FUND	1) €650,000 DONATION TO NESDF; AND 2) €350,000 REAL ESTATE PURCHASE OR €16,000/YEAR RENT; AND 3) €150,000 ELIGIBLE STOCKS, BONDS OR DEBENTURES	SS\$2.5 MILLION IN GIP FUND OR IN A BUSINESS	C\$800,000 IN A GOVERNMENT BOND	US\$500,000 IN A "REGIONAL CENTRE" EB-5 FUND	INVESTMENT IN BUSINESS SET-UP	€500,000 REAL ESTATE OR €1 MILLION CAPITAL INVESTMENT	£1 MILLION/5 YEARS; OR £5 MILLION/3 YEARS; OR £10 MILLION/2 YEARS; HELD IN GOVERNMENT BONDS OR STOCKS
EQUIVALENCY IN EUROS OF TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY BY APPLICANT	MIN €3 MILLION	€2.5 MILLION	€1.15 MILLION	€1.45 MILLION	€ 540,000	€ 540,000	CASE BY CASE, BUT CAN BE NEGLIGABLE	MIN €500,000	MIN €2.4 MILLION
TERM OF INVESTMENT	ACTIVELY INVEST	3 YEARS	5 YEARS FOR 2) AND 3)	5 YEARS	5 YEARS	5 YEARS	5 YEARS	5 YEARS	5 YEARS 3 YEARS 2 YEARS
VISA-FREE TRAVEL	168 COUNTRIES	151 COUNTRIES	163 COUNTRIES	167 COUNTRIES	170 COUNTRIES	172 COUNTRIES	171 COUNTRIES	170 COUNTRIES	173 COUNTRIES