



PORTUGAL

Residency by Investment



ABOUT COUNTRY

The Portuguese government passed a law in October 2012 to launch the Residency by Investment Program, also known as the Golden Visa Program.

To apply for this program, you must:

- **Be at least 18 years of age**
- **Be in good health**
- **Have no criminal record**

As this is a residency program, applicants are required to visit Portugal 7 days per year during the first 5 years.

Applicants must:

- **Invest in an approved investment fund**
- **Make a capital transfer**
- **Or create job opportunities in Portugal**

BENEFITS

- Residency in a European Union member country
- Permanent Residency or Citizenship after 5 years
- Freedom of movement within Schengen countries
- Only 7 days visit per year (one of the lowest physical stay requirements in the EU)
- Ranked 4th best passport in the world for visa-free travel (after UK & US) without 6-month residency requirement
- Program guaranteed by law since 2012
- No need to renounce your current citizenship(s)

CAPITAL	Lisbon
TOTAL AREA	92,212 km ²
POPULATION	10.32 million
LANGUAGES	Portuguese
CURRENCY	Euro (EUR)
EXCHANGE RATE	1 USD ≈ 0.86 EUR
GDP – PER CAPITA:	\$28,844 USD
GDP – TOTAL :	\$308.68 billion USD



PROCESS

The Residency by Investment scheme requires the following steps:

1. Week 1

Initial consultation between PRWALE and the client to check eligibility for the Golden Visa.

2. Week 2

Client makes a down payment of professional fees and signs an engagement agreement.

3. Week 5-6

PRWALE assists the client in obtaining a Portuguese tax number (NIF) and opening a personal bank account. The client transfers the investment to their personal account and then to the fund company.

4. Week 8-10

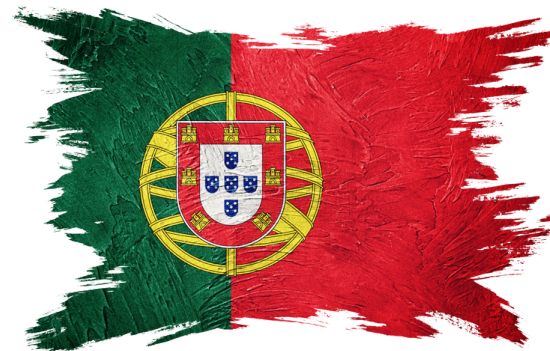
Once the investment is completed, PRWALE assists in preparing and gathering required documentation.

5. Week 47

Application is submitted to Portuguese immigration authorities (AIMA). Upon review completion, the government issues a pre-approval notification.

6. Week 48

After pre-approval, the client travels to Portugal for biometrics submission. Final approval is issued, and Golden Visa cards are printed.



INVESTMENT OPTIONS

In July 2015, through Act 63/2015 and Regulatory Decree 15-A/2015, investment options were revised.

INVESTMENT IN INVESTMENT FUND

MINIMUM INVESTMENT:

EUR 500,000

APPLICATION & GOVERNMENT FEES

MAIN APPLICANT FEE:

EUR 605.10

DEPENDENT FEE (PER PERSON)

EUR 605.10

GOLDEN VISA CARD ISSUANCE FEE:

EUR 6,045.20

CARD RENEWAL (EVERY 2 YEARS UNTIL PR):

EUR 3,023.20

RENEWAL APPLICATION FEE:

EUR 605.10

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