

Residence-by-Investment — Programs Comparison Chart

| | <i>Greece (EU)</i> | <i>Andorra</i> | <i>Portugal (EU)</i> | <i>Malta (EU)</i> | <i>Spain (EU)</i> | <i>Latvia (EU)</i> | <i>Italy (EU)</i> | <i>UK</i> | <i>UAE</i> | <i>Thailand</i> | <i>Malaysia</i> |
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| <i>Type of program</i> | RESIDENCE | RESIDENCE | RESIDENCE | RESIDENCE | RESIDENCE | RESIDENCE | RESIDENCE | RESIDENCE | RESIDENCE | RESIDENCE | RESIDENCE |
| <i>Physical presence</i> | Not required | 90 days | 7 days per year | Not required | Not required | Not Required | TBC, new program | 6 months | Once every 6 months | Not required | Not required |
| <i>Application processing times</i> | Up to 1 month | 2–3 months | Up to 9 months | 3 months | 1–2 months | Up to 2 months | TBC, new program | 1–3 months | 1–2 months | 1 month | 3 months |
| <i>Minimum investment for single applicant</i> | EUR 250,000 purchase of real estate | EUR 400,000 Financial instruments | EUR 350,000 purchase of real estate for refurbishment located in specific areas; or EUR 500,000 purchase of any other kind of real estate; or EUR 250,000 donation to artistic and national cultural heritage institutions; or capital transfer of a minimum of EUR 1 million into a Portuguese bank account of specific approved investment options | A. EUR 250,000 government bonds; and B. Property purchase EUR 320,000 or EUR 12,000 rent; and C. Contribution of EUR 30,000 | EUR 500,000 purchase of real estate | EUR 250,000 purchase of real estate; or: Investment of min EUR 35,000 to 150,000 into equity capital of a Latvian company; or: Investmnet of EUR 280,000 in a subordinated loan (deposit) in one of the latvian banks; or: Acquisition of interest-free government bonds determined for special purpose of EUR 250,000 | EUR 2 million in Italian government bonds; or at least EUR 1 million in equity instruments of a company based and operating in Italy; or at least EUR 1 million for philanthropic funding | GBP 2,000,000 | Company set-up, USD 30,000; Recurrent USD 15,000 | A. 20 years visa— USD 60,000 plus USD 600 yearly B. 10 years visa— USD 30,000 (USD 22,500 for dependents) C. 5 years visa— USD 15,000 | Proof of bankable assets USD 115,000 and income USD 2,250 per month |
| <i>Property / investment sale</i> | 5 years | n/a | 5 years | 5 years | 5 years | 5 years | 5 years | 5 years | n/a | n/a | 10 years visa |
| <i>Main advantages</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visa-free travel to the Schengen countries • Quick processing— can obtain residence permit in 30 days • Attractive investment through real estate property (heavily discounted), with low entry barriers (minimum investment of EUR 250,000) • Route to Greek citizenship after 7 years (under certain conditions) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Residence of Andorra simplifies the procedure of obtaining Schengen visas (Andorra is not a part of the Schengen area) • Attractive tax system • Fast and efficient application process • High standard of living and excellent banking services • Great location in the center of Europe | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visa-free travel to the Schengen countries • Opportunity to take advantage of the special Non-Habitual Tax scheme that provides benefits to its tax residents • Attractive investment through real estate property with relatively low entry barriers (minimum investment of EUR 500,000) • Route to Portuguese citizenship after 6 years (under certain conditions) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visa-free travel within Schengen area • Right to reside indefinitely in Malta • Five years' permanent residence, renewable indefinitely • Taxed only on Maltese sourced income and remitted income • Family members can be included | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visa-free travel within Schengen area • Taxed only on Spanish sourced income and remitted income • Great location in the center of Europe | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visa-free travel to the Schengen countries • No minimal presence is required to be eligible for a residence permit renewal • Fast-track application procedure • Attractive tax system • Russian is widely spoken • Excellent transport links with Russia | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visa-free travel to the Schengen countries • No residence requirement • Special tax regimen • Free education and medical care | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • International business environment— London is the financial capital of the world • Attractive tax regime for high net worth individuals who are resident but not domiciled • Direct international flight connections to almost all major cities in the world • World-renowned schools and universities • Fast investor immigration application processing | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attractive tax regime • Fast and efficient application process | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No minimum stay requirement • Attractive tax regime • Complimentary VIP services • A low-cost, high standard of living | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Residence in one of the key tourist destinations in the region • Fast and efficient application process |
| <i>Route to Citizenship (under specific criteria)</i> | 7 years | 20 years | 6 years | n/a | 10 years | 10 years | 10 years or 4 if European | 6 years | n/a | n/a | n/a |