

INDIVIDUAL INVESTOR PROGRAMME OF THE REPUBLIC OF MALTA





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The Individual Investor Programme of the Republic of Malta (IIP), by virtue of Legal Notice 47 of 2014, allows for the granting of citizenship by a certificate of naturalisation to individuals and their families who contribute to the economic and social development of Malta. Subject to a stringent vetting and diligence process, including thorough background checks, the applicants and their dependents are granted citizenship in exchange for such contribution.

ABOUT MALTA

Malta is a European Union member state since 2004. Malta can offer Citizenship in an EU country that is stable, neutral and highly respected. It offers Visa free travel to more than 160 countries. Maltese citizenship will also grant the right of work and establishment in all 28 EU countries.

Malta has a 7,500 year history; it has a highly cultured, well educated society. The government of Malta is democratically elected and has a very strong legal system and well established institutions. It enjoys a highly evolved educational system and excellent health services.

Malta enjoys an excellent climate and is stable and safe with a very low crime rate. Malta has highly developed industry, tourism and financial sectors, and is well linked with Europe and the world.

WHY MALTA

The key objectives for obtaining Maltese citizenship and the benefits gained will vary between individuals, but may include:

- Visa free travel to more than 160 countries in the world.
- Possible tax planning benefits
- Dependence on more than one passport
- Personal security
- Looking for a stable political system
- Good quality of life
- Better education for children



WHO CAN APPLY

To qualify for citizenship, the main applicant must be at least 18 years of age, provide proof of having been a resident of Malta for a period of 12 months preceding the issuing of a certificate of naturalisation and meet the following investment requirements:

- *The acquisition of real estate with a minimum value of EUR 350,000 to be held for at least 5 years; or
- *Lease a residential immovable property in Malta for a period of 5 years, at an annual rent of at least EUR 16,000; and
- Make a contribution to the National Development and Social Fund
- An investment in stocks, bonds or special purpose vehicles to be identified by Identity Malta, for a minimum value of EUR 150,000 to be held for a minimum period of 5 years.

*Immovable property cannot be let or sublet.

Applicants must have a Global Health Insurance coverage for at least EUR 50,000 for the main applicant and each of the dependants and must give proof that they can maintain the same for an indefinite period.

Principal Applicants can include in their IIP application:

- Spouse in a monogamous marriage or in another relationship having the same or similar status to marriage.
- Dependents of 18 years of age and under.
- Dependents between the age of 18 and 26 years of age, who are not married and who are wholly supported by the main applicant and form part of the household.
- Dependents over the age of 55 years (e.g. parents), who are wholly supported by and who form part of the household of the main applicant.

By virtue of the Legal Notice 47 of 2014, the Government of Malta has established the legal framework for the IIP, The process of application for the IIP is carried out through a Concessionaire, Accredited Persons or Approved Agents.



The following contributions and fees shall be required as a minimum to qualify for citizenship under the IIP:

- Principal applicant	€650,000
- Spouse	€25,000
- Each Dependent child aged 0-17	€25,000
- Each Dependent child aged 18-26	€50,000
- Each Dependent aged 55 or above	€50,000
- Principal applicant	€7,500
- Spouse	€5,000
- Each Dependent child aged 13-17	€3,000
- Each Dependent child aged 18-26	€5,000
- Each Dependent aged 55 or above	€5,000
- per person	€500
- per application	€200

Applications must be accompanied by supporting identification and verification documents authenticated in English, as set out in the Checklist and Guidelines, together with;

- Police conduct certificates
- Proof that the main applicant has been a resident of Malta for a period of 12 months preceding naturalisation
- Medical certificates stating that the applicant and his dependents are not suffering from contagious diseases and are in good health
- An affidavit of support for each dependent who is over 18 years of age.

All applicants aged 18 years and over are obliged to attend in person in Malta to undertake the Oath of Allegiance.

The process takes between 6 to 24 months and currently the programme is capped at 1,800 main applicants.

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