



Global Investment & Citizenship

In an era of Globalization, visa free travel and ease of mobility not only bridges the gap between nations and international businesses, but also saves much needed time and money, which are an absolute essential for any business-related people. Citizenship and passport or even permanent residency in another country could usher in greater opportunity and advantage from a business perspective.

On the other hand, buying shares of Facebook, Google and tech giants and similar other multinationals remains only dream for many citizens of third world and developing countries as those shares are not listed in their stock market and their exchange control laws-imposed restriction on different transactions. Legal advice may be able to help in such situations.

Subject to exchange control laws and other applicable laws, investing in project allowing permanent resident ship/citizenship in return and also payment in cash to the relevant government authorities for permanent resident ship/citizenship in another country in limited circumstances may be legally possible from SAARC countries. Specific legal advise may be required.

Legal due diligence may help not only citizens but also government authorities to gain access to international capital that fuels economic development initiatives.



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In cooperation with **leading** global advisory firms, who are committed in "dissolving borders to create something very much of this modern era: a Global Village for Global Citizens", we assist our clients in investing abroad, either in shares or for permanent residency or passport and citizen particularly from SAARC countries provided.

- Source of investment must be legal and also remitted legally.
- We accept payment for our services locally only.
- Payment of fees to our foreign collaborators must be given to them directly through legal channel.

We also assist government authorities in legal due diligence on global investment and citizenship issues.

Investment in Shares in Foreign Capital Market

Most SAARC countries' exchange control regulation puts different barrier on freely purchase of foreign currency and investing abroad. However, subject to applicable laws as amended from time to time, it may be permissible for citizen's of SAARC countries who has exchange control laws, to invest in foreign shares through few accounts provided that such transaction shall **only** be done via international cards or via TT using balance amount. Taking specific legal opinion is recommended for each case.

Non-refundable payment to Government authorities

St. Lucia

Aside from the beauty, a given aspect for any Caribbean Islands, St. Lucia boasts a well balanced economy compromising of stable legal and commercial infrastructure. Trade in the Export/Import sector comprises 95 percent of St. Lucia's GDP. Open market policies provide the gateway provide gateway to greater access to financing opportunities which remains integral for St. Lucia's development sector.

- Passport provides visa free travel on **127** countries including the European Union (EU), Schengen areas, Hong Kong, Singapore etc.
- To obtain a passport; no physical residence is required.
- A range of investment options are available
- Recognizes Dual Citizenship

Requirements:

A non-refundable contribution to the National Economic Fund (NEF) of USD 100,000 (for a single applicant). An applicant may make the contribution under one of the four following categories:

- Main applicant USD 100,000
- Main applicant and spouse USD 165,000
- Main applicant, spouse and up to two other qualifying dependents USD 190,000
- Each additional qualifying dependent of any age USD 25,000

PR or Citizenship by investing in approved projects

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Requirements:

- An initial investment is required, starting from \$300,000 to \$3.5 million.

Portugal

A country of fine architecture and view of the Atlantic, Portugal is home to a number of leading, globally reputed companies such as *Cimpor* (10th largest cement producer), *Sonae Industria* (largest producers of wood panel) etc. In the aftermath of the Economic Recession, 2017, is shaping up to be the Country’s strongest in terms of growth,

with the **IMF** (International Monetary Fund) highlighting the significant increase in foreign investments and exports.

Global Residence Permit Program

- The program requires only a total of 35 days stay during the 5 year period. The residency permit allows access to the Schengen areas.
- After 6 year residency, naturalization as a Portuguese citizen is possible
- Portugal allows dual citizenship.

Requirements

- Different kinds of approved Investment options are available
- Starting from 500,000 Euros on average.

