



# IRELAND

## START-UP ENTREPRENEUR PROGRAM

### ABOUT STEP

The Start-up Entrepreneur Programme aims to grant non-EEA nationals and their families a stable residency status in Ireland by supporting their involvement in high-potential start-up ventures. Initiated by the Irish Government in 2012, this program's primary goals are to encourage meaningful investment in Ireland and provide the benefits of Irish residency to accomplished business professionals who have a track record of success.



# VISA-FREE COUNTRIES

Albania  
American Samoa  
Andorra  
Angola  
Anguilla  
Antigua and Barbuda  
Argentina  
Armenia  
Aruba  
Australia  
Austria  
Bahamas  
Bahrain  
Bangladesh  
Barbados  
Belarus  
Belgium  
Belize  
Bermuda  
Bolivia  
Bonaire, St. Eustatius and Saba  
Bosnia and Herzegovina  
Botswana  
Brazil  
British Virgin Islands  
Brunei  
Bulgaria  
Burundi  
Cambodia  
Canada  
Cape Verde Islands  
Cayman Islands  
Chile  
China  
Colombia  
Comoro Islands  
Cook Islands  
Costa Rica  
Croatia  
Curacao  
Cyprus  
Czechia  
Denmark  
Djibouti  
Dominica  
Dominican Republic  
Ecuador  
Egypt  
El Salvador  
Estonia  
eSwatini  
Ethiopia  
Falkland Islands  
Faroe Islands  
Fiji  
Finland  
France  
French Guiana  
French Polynesia  
French West Indies  
Georgia  
Germany

Gibraltar  
Greece  
Greenland  
Grenada  
Guam  
Guatemala  
Guinea-Bissau  
Guyana  
Haiti  
Honduras  
Hong Kong (SAR China)  
Hungary  
Iceland  
Indonesia  
Iran  
Iraq  
Israel  
Italy  
Jamaica  
Japan  
Jordan  
Kazakhstan  
Kenya  
Kiribati  
Kosovo  
Kuwait  
Kyrgyzstan  
Laos  
Latvia  
Lebanon  
Lesotho  
Liechtenstein  
Lithuania  
Luxembourg  
Macao (SAR China)  
Madagascar  
Malawi  
Malaysia  
Maldives  
Malta  
Marshall Islands  
Mauritius  
Mayotte  
Mexico  
Micronesia  
Moldova  
Monaco  
Mongolia  
Montenegro  
Montserrat  
Morocco  
Mozambique  
Namibia  
Nepal  
Netherlands  
New Caledonia  
New Zealand  
Nicaragua  
Niue  
North Macedonia  
Northern Mariana Islands  
Norway

Oman  
Palau Islands  
Palestinian Territory  
Panama  
Paraguay  
Peru  
Philippines  
Poland  
Portugal  
Puerto Rico  
Qatar  
Reunion  
Romania  
Rwanda  
Samoa  
San Marino  
Sao Tome and Principe  
Saudi Arabia  
Senegal  
Serbia  
Seychelles  
Sierra Leone  
Singapore  
Slovakia  
Slovenia  
Solomon Islands  
South Africa  
South Korea  
Spain  
Sri Lanka  
St. Helena  
St. Kitts and Nevis  
St. Lucia  
St. Maarten  
St. Vincent and the Grenadines  
Suriname  
Sweden  
Switzerland  
Taiwan (Chinese Taipei)  
Tajikistan  
Tanzania  
Thailand  
The Gambia  
Timor-Leste  
Tonga  
Trinidad and Tobago  
Tunisia  
Turks and Caicos Islands  
Tuvalu  
Türkiye  
Uganda  
Ukraine  
United Arab Emirates  
United Kingdom  
United States  
Uruguay  
US Virgin Islands  
Uzbekistan  
Vanuatu  
Vatican City  
Venezuela  
Zambia  
Zimbabwe



## Requirements



Euro 50,000 for First Founder  
Euro 30,000 each for subsequent founders



Detailed and robust business plan, which correlates with the requirements of the program.



Specified supporting documents including proof of €50,000 funding, information regarding the funding's origin, and substantiation of positive character.

# PROCESS & TIMELINES

## Eligibility Check

- Business Idea / Plan Suitability
- Applicant Qualification
- Potential Local Director Mapping

**7  
Days**

## Incorporation

- Due Diligence
- Business Plan
- Company Formation
- Legal Agreements
- Local Director Appointment
- Bank Ac Opening & Payroll

**30-60  
Days**

## Application Filing

- Capital Infusion
- Visa Application Preparation & Filing

**15  
Days**

## Application Approval

- Visa Processing
- INIS Registration
- Spouse Work Permit Processing

**45-90  
Days**

## PR Renewals & Passport

- Annual PR Renewals
- Naturalization

**3rd-6th  
Year**



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