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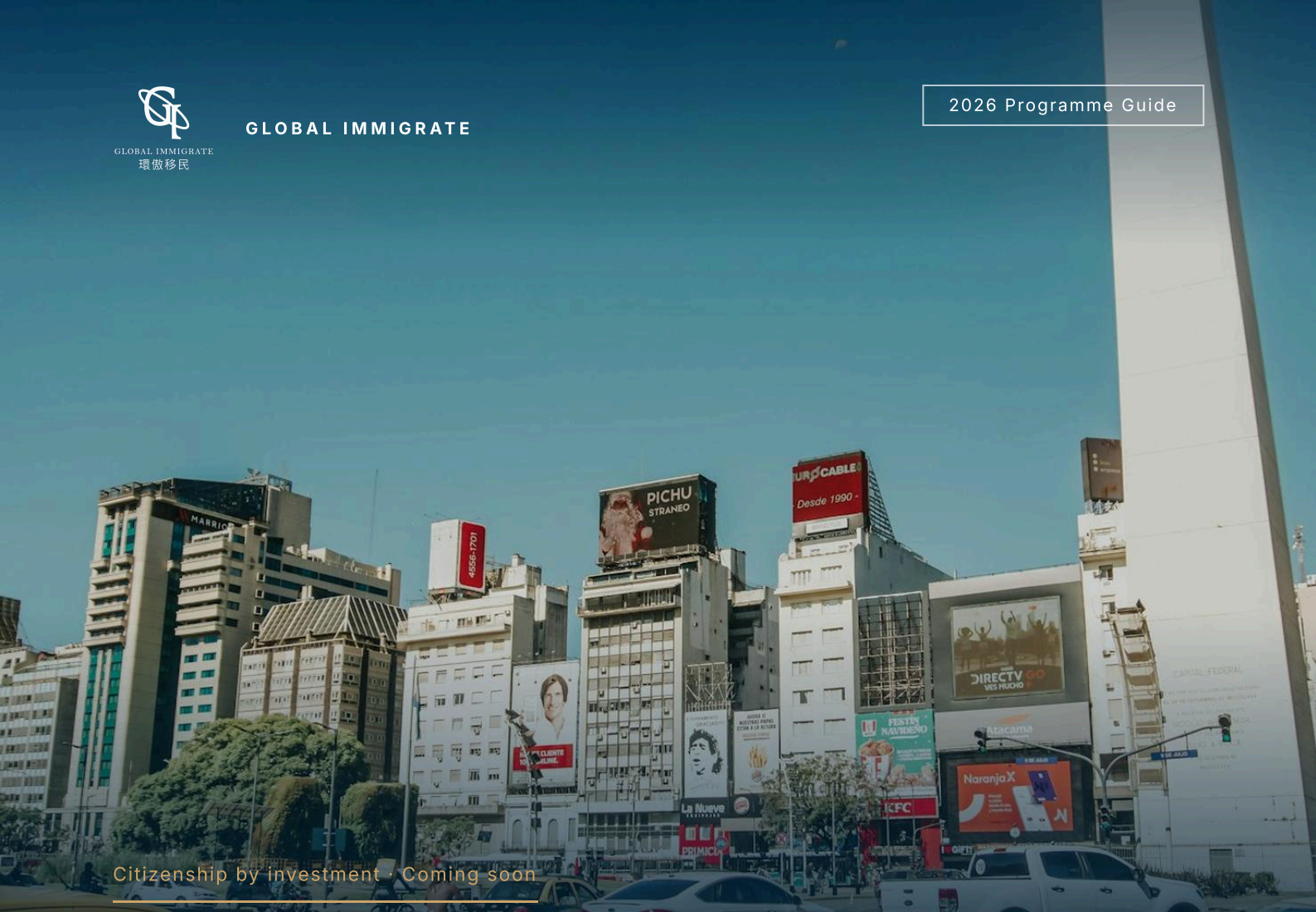
2026 Programme Guide



Citizenship by investment · Coming soon

Argentina Citizenship by Investment

South America’s first citizenship by investment programme: a USD 350,000 contribution or a USD 800,000 government bond, with applications targeted for Q4 2026.

Investment	Status	Stay requirement
Contribution from USD 350,000 (coming soon)	**Citizenship and passport**	**None**

01 Programme overview

On 2 October 2026 in Paris, Economy Minister Luis Caputo announced the investment amounts for South America's first citizenship by investment programme. Applications will be reviewed by the Agency for Citizenship by Investment Programs (APCI) under the Ministry of Economy, together with Argentina's intelligence, financial and security agencies. The Argentine passport is visa-free to over 160 destinations including the Schengen Area and the UK, and Argentina allows dual nationality.

Investment **Contribution from USD 350,000 (coming soon)**	Status **Citizenship and passport**
Stay requirement **None**	Parents included **Not announced (announced family members are the spouse and children)**
Time to permanent residence **Not applicable**	Time to a passport **Citizenship and passport directly; applications targeted for Q4 2026, processing time not announced**
Best for **Families wanting a South American passport who can wait for the official launch**	

Key points

Two routes have been announced: a one-time, non-refundable USD 350,000 contribution to Argentina's National Treasury, or a USD 800,000 government bond created for the programme (its term, yield and repayment have not been announced). For family members, the spouse and single, childless children aged 18–25 add USD 100,000 each, and children under 18 add USD 25,000 each. Through the contribution route, a family of two adults and two minor children pays USD 500,000 in total. Processing times and the detailed procedure have not been announced.

Main advantages

- ✓ **Direct citizenship, no residence first**
  The investment route does not depend on years of residence in Argentina; no prior residence or PR is needed.
- ✓ **Visa-free to 160+ destinations**
  Visa-free or visa-on-arrival to over 160 destinations, including the Schengen Area and the UK (ETA required).
- ✓ **USD 500,000 for a family of four**
  Contribution route: USD 350,000 for the main applicant, USD 100,000 for a spouse and USD 25,000 per child under 18.
- ✓ **Children aged 18–25 included**
  Single, childless children aged 18 to 25 can apply with you, at USD 100,000 each.

✓ **Two routes**
A one-time USD 350,000 contribution, or a USD 800,000 programme government bond (terms to be announced).

✓ **Dual citizenship allowed**
Argentina accepts dual nationality; whether you keep your current nationality depends on your home country's rules.

02 Investment options

Choose one of the following options; the other requirements are listed below.

	Route	Minimum	Key points
01	**National Treasury contribution**	**USD 350,000**	▪ Non-refundable
02	**Programme government bond**	**USD 800,000**	▪ Term and repayment not yet announced

03 Family and costs

Who can be included

- Spouse
- Unmarried, childless children aged 18–25
- Children under 18
- Whether parents can be included has not been announced

Family size and cost

- Spouse USD 100,000
- Children aged 18–25 USD 100,000 each
- Children under 18 USD 25,000 each
- Family of four (two minors): USD 500,000 via contribution; bond route USD 800,000 bond plus USD 150,000 contributions

Government and third-party fees

Item	Amount
Government fees (partner estimate)	**Main applicant USD 5,000; +5,000 per spouse or adult dependent; +3,000 per child under 18**
Due diligence (partner estimate)	**Main applicant USD 10,000; +10,000 per spouse or adult dependent; +5,000 per child under 18**
PADL fee (mandatory)	**A fixed USD 50,000 per application, regardless of family size**

Item	Amount
Estimated total (excluding our professional fee)	**Single applicant USD 415,000; couple USD 530,000; family of four (two minors) USD 596,000**

Figures are partner estimates; government fees, due diligence and PADL await official confirmation, and biometric and passport fees (not announced) are excluded. Our refund promise does not cover the PADL fee or other third-party costs. Our professional fee is separate and set out in writing before you sign.

Government and mandatory third-party fees only; excludes the investment itself and Global Immigrate's service fee. Amounts follow the latest official schedules; foreign-currency amounts are converted at the rate on the day of payment.

04 Eligibility and process

Requirements

Based on what has been announced so far:

- ✓ Background checks by APCI with Argentina's intelligence, financial and security agencies
- ✓ A lawful, documented source of funds
- ✓ No criminal record
- ✓ A valid Schengen visa at the time of application
- ✓ Detailed requirements and procedures await the implementing regulation

Application process

01 Register and initial assessment — **Now**
Register for priority updates; a consultant assesses eligibility and starts on source-of-funds documents.

02 Rules published — **Target: Q4 2026**
Confirm final terms once the procedure and agent accreditation rules are published.

03 Application and review — **Once open**
Apply under the official procedure; APCI and related agencies review the application.

04 Citizenship — **After approval**
Processing time not yet announced.

Processing time

The government targets opening applications in Q4 2026; processing time not announced.

05 Pathway to PR and citizenship

1 Citizenship and passport

Target opening Q4 2026

You and your family receive citizenship and a passport directly, with no residence or PR stage; passports are usually renewed every 5 to 10 years. You can keep your current nationality, subject to your home country's rules.

> **Residence requirement**
> Under the announced framework no residence is required; final rules depend on the court ruling and regulations

General information only; requirements follow each country's latest rules and can vary with your circumstances.

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Visa-free travel: Argentine passport (On citizenship)

approx. visa-free or visa-on-arrival destinations

Schengen Area | UK | Japan | Hong Kong | Singapore

06 Things to note

Policy developments in 2026 and points to check before applying:

- A valid Schengen visa is required at the time of application
- Legal basis: emergency decree DNU 366/2025 (May 2025) and Decree 524/2025
- In June 2026 a federal appeals court and the Electoral Chamber ruled the decree unconstitutional; the government's Supreme Court appeal is pending
- In April 2026 the government cancelled the master-agent tender and appointed the agency's director
- The 2 October announcement is ministerial; no binding implementing regulation yet
- Applications are not yet open; final terms may differ from those announced

07 Why Global Immigrate

Filed under the official procedure

Once the programme opens, applications are filed under the procedure the government publishes; agent accreditation rules have not been published yet.

Due diligence preparation

We review your background and source-of-funds documents in advance, reducing requests for more information and delays.

Comparing several countries

We compare total costs and what each passport can do for you — based on your travel needs, family size and budget — rather than selling a single programme.

Clear, transparent fees

All service fees and third-party costs are set out in writing before you sign — no hidden charges — and our refund terms are explained clearly.

Our three guarantees

Full service-fee refund if refused

Guaranteed in your service agreement: if your application is refused, we refund the service fees you have paid in full — or you can switch to another suitable programme at no extra charge.

No extra charge for further documents or resubmission

If the authorities request further documents, or an application must be resubmitted, we handle it at no additional service fee.

Handled by professionals, fee fixed at signing

Every application is prepared and reviewed by our professional immigration team. Your service fee is fixed when you sign, with no additional charges afterwards.

Service fees exclude investment amounts, government fees, the PADL fee and other third-party costs; our refund promise covers only our service fee, not the PADL fee (USD 50,000, payable to Amigo) or other third-party costs. Refusals caused by false or incomplete information, or by the applicant not cooperating as required, are not eligible for a refund. Full terms are set out in the service agreement.

08 FAQs

Is the Argentina programme open yet?

No. The government announced the amounts on 2 October 2026 and aims to start accepting applications in Q4 2026; the actual opening date follows the official announcement.

What are the legal risks?

The programme's legal basis, Decree 366/2025 (implemented together with Decree 524/2025), was partly invalidated by a federal appeals court in one case in June 2026, and the Electoral Chamber declared the decree void in another case; these rulings apply to the specific cases, the government still treats the regime as in force, and it has appealed to the Supreme Court. The ruling could affect timing and terms.

How much does a family of four pay?

Through the announced contribution route, two adults and two children under 18 pay USD 500,000 in total.

Do I need to live in Argentina?

Under the 2025 decree, a qualifying investment replaces the usual residence requirement for naturalisation, but this is exactly what the Supreme Court is reviewing; final rules follow the ruling and implementing regulation.

Is the bond investment recoverable?

The bond's term, yield and repayment have not been announced yet.

Do I need to give up my current nationality?

Argentina allows dual citizenship, but you need to check separately whether the country of your current nationality allows it.

Do I need a Schengen visa to apply?

Yes. Applicants must hold a valid Schengen visa at the time of application.

What do I pay besides the investment?

Besides the investment, a mandatory USD 50,000 Programme Administration, Delivery and License (PADL) fee is payable once per application and does not increase with the number of dependents. Partner estimates for government and due diligence fees are about USD 5,000 and USD 10,000 for the main applicant, plus USD 5,000 and USD 10,000 for a spouse or adult dependent and USD 3,000 and USD 5,000 for each child under 18; these are not yet officially confirmed, and biometric and passport fees have not been announced. Our professional fee is separate and set out in writing before you sign. Our refund promise does not cover the PADL fee.

How can mainland China applicants apply, and how do they handle the Schengen visa?

Mainland China passport holders generally need to obtain a short-stay Schengen visa first, applying to the embassy, consulate or visa centre of their main Schengen destination, and must hold a valid visa when the citizenship application is filed. Schengen visas take time to process, so prepare early (itinerary, funds and accommodation documents). The visa is decided by the consulate and is not guaranteed. We can help you prepare and follow up the visa application and sequence it with the investment application under the programme's latest rules. Whether holders of other passports (for example Hong Kong or Taiwan) are treated differently has not been confirmed; we will update once the implementing rules are published.

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Our consultants will assess the most suitable route for your family, free and in confidence. Advisers in English, Mandarin and Cantonese; we reply within one working day.

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