

AUSTRIA

Available options for obtaining a residence permit



Austria

Brief information

Austria is a country of incredible beauty in Central Europe, known for its neutrality and role as Europe's diplomatic hub. As a centre for trade, energy, and diplomacy, Austria maintains a balance between neutrality, EU ties, migration, and energy security.

83,879 SQ.KM

Area

Ranked 113th in the world

8,980,000

Population

Ranked 97th in the world

667 BILLION USD

GDP by PPP

Ranked 43rd in the world

Visa regime

Austria is a member of the Schengen Agreement.

To enter the country, citizens of Russia and the CIS must obtain a visa

Capital city - Vienna

Time zone – UTC+2



Austria

Strong economy

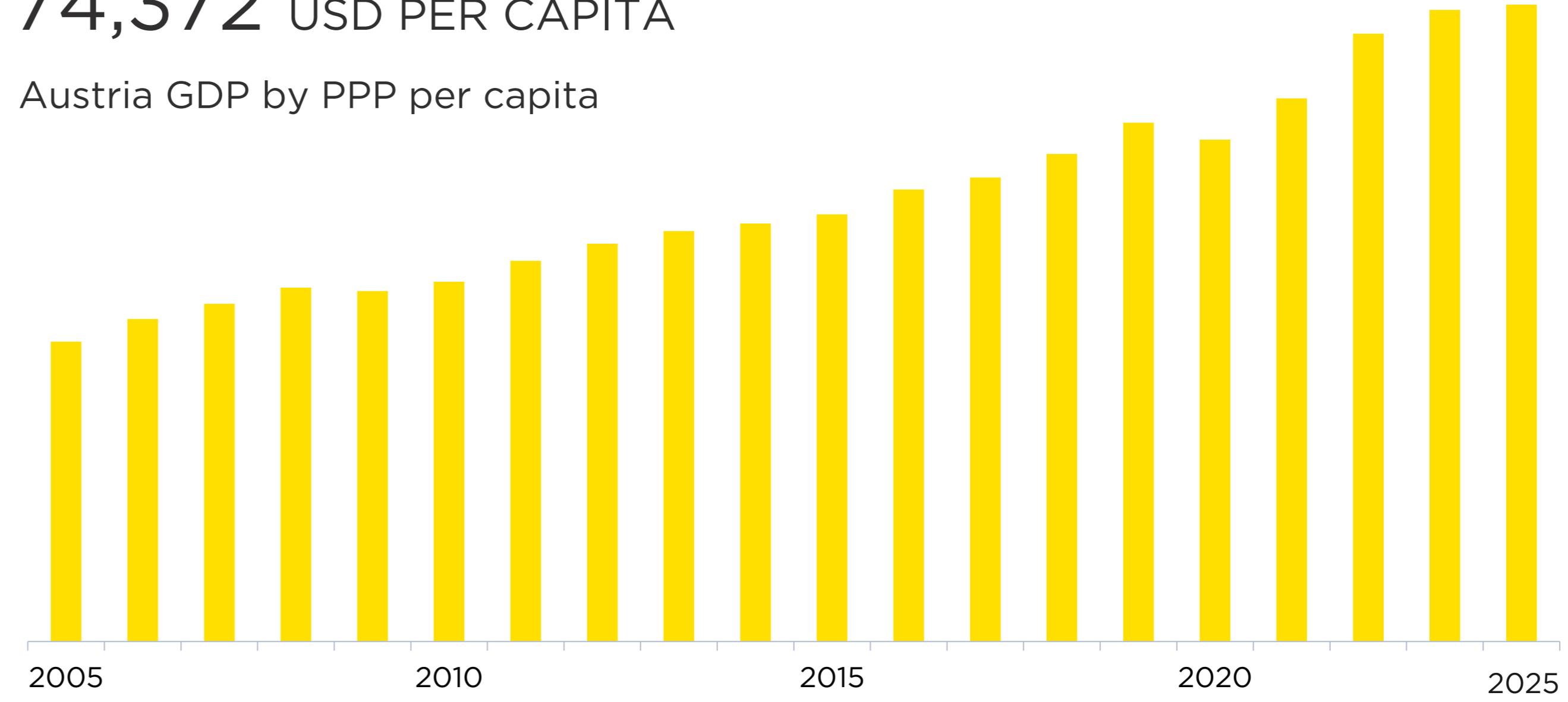
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12th place in Europe in GDP per capita

Austria has a stable, growing economy and a high standard of living. Since 2000, the GDP per Austrian has doubled. In this indicator, Austria is higher than Germany and France

74,372 USD PER CAPITA

Austria GDP by PPP per capita



Austria. 2nd place in the EU
by average family income

3,295 EUR PER MONTH

the average Austrian family earns per month after taxes,
social security, and pension contributions

Data from the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development

Consumer prices in Austria are lower than in Germany or France, as evidenced by the higher purchasing power parity in Austria



Advantages of the Austrian residence permit



Residence permit for the whole family

The application may include spouse and children under 18 years of age



Quick processing

A residence permit in Austria can be obtained in just 2–6 months after filing the application



Moving to Austria

The right to study, work, and live in Austria



Visa-free travel within the EU

Freedom of movement within the Schengen area, with the right to spend 90 days there every six months



Advantages of the Austrian residence permit



Access to healthcare

Most basic medical services, including hospitalization, are covered by insurance



Safe country

Austria ranks 3rd out of 163 countries as one of the safest (World Popular Review)



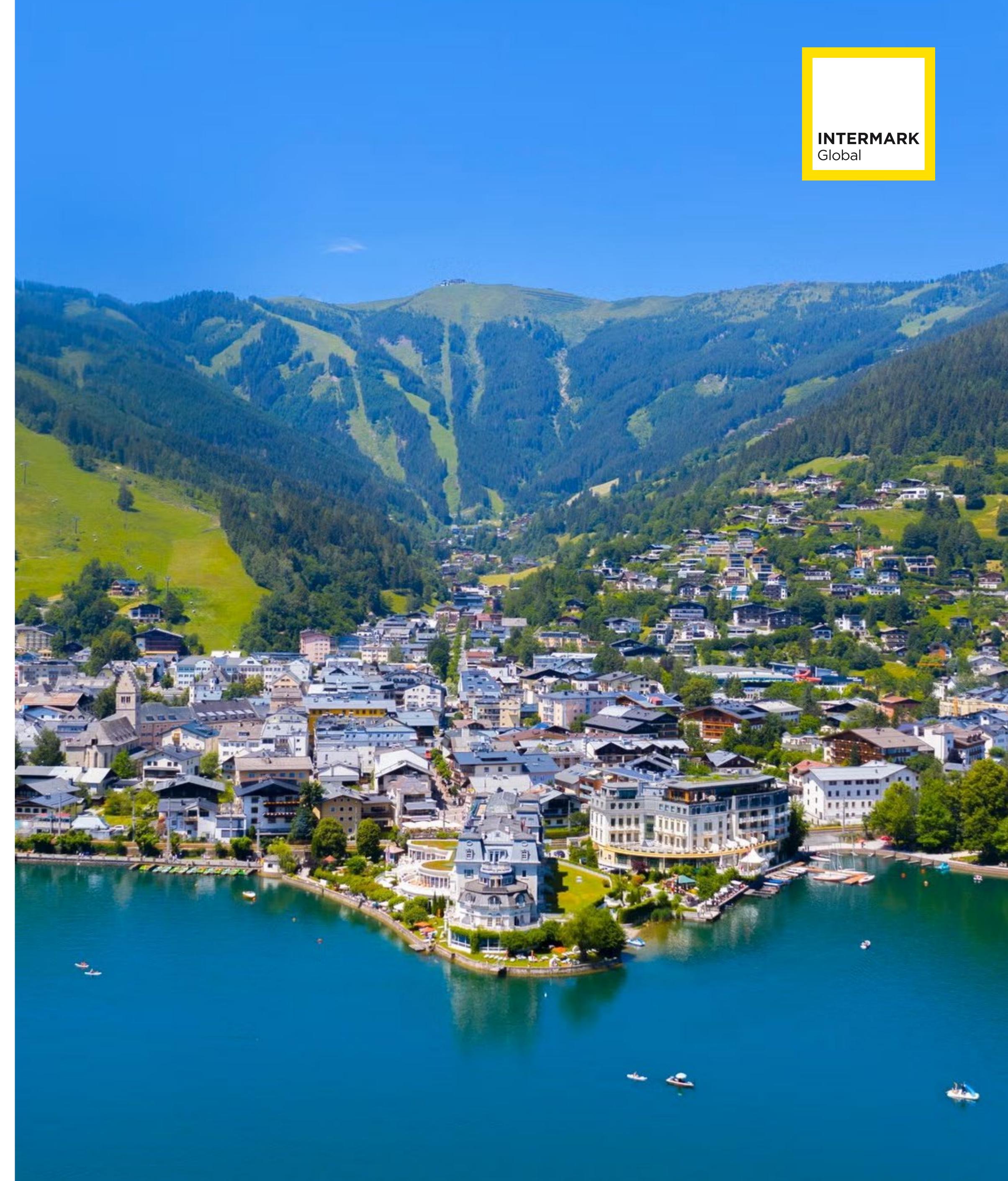
Living in an ecologically clean country

Austria ranks 8th out of 180 countries according to a study by Yale University



Path to future citizenship

Permanent residence after 5 years, citizenship after 10 years



Residence permit in Austria. Available options



Residence permit for financially independent individuals

FROM 80,000 EUR

Legal assistance fees

2 - 7 MONTHS

Processing time

1 YEAR

Validity period



Red-White-Red Card for key specialists

FROM 25,000 EUR

Legal assistance fees

2 - 6 MONTHS

Processing time

2 YEARS

Validity period



Red-White-Red Card for key specialists - individual entrepreneurs

FROM 25,000 EUR

Legal assistance fees

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Processing time

2 YEARS

Validity period

Residence permit in Austria

RESIDENCE PERMIT FOR FINANCIALLY INDEPENDENT INDIVIDUALS

Benefits for the applicant

- Austrian residence permit granted for the whole family
- Fast processing

Program participants

- Spouse
- Children under 18 years old

Application requirements

- Minimum monthly income: 2,436 EUR for the applicant, 3,842 EUR for the spouse, 376 EUR per child under 18
- Availability of at least 30,000 EUR in an Austrian bank account
- Rent or purchase of real estate in Austria
- Residency requirement: at least 183 days per year in Austria to extend the residence permit



FROM 80,000 EUR

Legal assistance fees

2 - 7 MONTHS

Processing time

Validity period: 1 year, renewable annually up to 3 times, followed by a residence permit for 3 years
Eligibility for permanent residence after 5 years
Eligibility for citizenship after 10 years



Residence permit in Austria

FOR FINANCIALLY INDEPENDENT INDIVIDUALS

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This program is designed for financially independent foreigners – work in Austria is not permitted under this permit

Quota

Austria sets an **annual quota of 450 residence permits** for financially independent individuals. Each family member requires a separate quota.

Applications are accepted only through Austrian consulates. Due to limited quota, applications are processed strictly by submission date

Important note

Applications must be submitted in person at an Austrian Embassy, on the first day of the calendar year

80,000 EUR

Legal assistance fees per applicant

Residence permit in Austria

RED-WHITE-RED CARD FOR KEY SPECIALISTS

Benefits for the applicant

- Austrian residence permit granted for the whole family
- Fast processing

Program participants

- Spouse
- Children under 18 years old

Application requirements

- A minimum of 55 points must be reached under Austria's qualification system, which considers education, work experience, language skills, age, and special achievements
- Applicants may receive a 6-month visa to find a job or qualify directly if they already have an employment offer
- Proof of German language proficiency at level B1 is required



FROM 25,000 EUR

Legal assistance fees

3 - 6 MONTHS

Processing time

Validity period: 2 year, extendable for 3 years

Eligibility for permanent residence after 5 years.

Eligibility for citizenship after 10 years

Residence permit in Austria

RED-WHITE-RED CARD FOR KEY SPECIALISTS

Requirements for obtaining the residence permit

-  Conclude an **employment contract** with an Austrian employer
-  Receive wages at or above the prescribed salary threshold
-  Collect the minimum **qualification points**
-  Enter an employment contract with an Austrian company that matches your education and professional experience





Residence permit in Austria

RED-WHITE-RED CARD
FOR KEY SPECIALISTS

For highly qualified specialists

- Minimum requirement: **70 points**
- Option to apply for a **6-month job-seeker visa** before submitting a residence permit application
- Salary must correspond to both qualifications and the Austrian market level
- After 2 years of work, it is possible to switch to the Red-White-Red Plus Card (extended rights)

For Specialists in shortage professions

- Minimum requirement: **55 points**
- The profession **must be listed as in short supply in Austria**
- **A job offer** is required
- Medical workers must undergo a diploma recognition procedure before starting work



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RED-WHITE-RED CARD FOR KEY SPECIALISTS

Application terms

The application may be submitted directly by the employer to the Austrian Migration Service. Once the Austrian Migration Service and the Austrian Employment Service issue a positive decision, the Embassy is informed

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- 1 ● If the applicant cannot enter Austria without a visa, he/she will need to apply for a **category "D"** visa
 - 2 ● Fingerprints will be required at the Austrian Migration Office
 - 3 ● It will be possible to obtain a residence permit in 10-14 days

Residence permit in Austria

**RED-WHITE-RED CARD FOR KEY SPECIALISTS –
INDIVIDUAL ENTREPRENEURS AND STARTUPS**

Benefits for the applicant

- Austrian residence permit granted for the whole family
- Fast processing

Program participants

- Spouse
- Children under 18 years old

Application requirements

- Investment in Austria of at least 100,000 EUR or creation of at least 2 jobs
- Active and significant personal involvement in the management of the company
- Development of an innovative product or service
- Proof of German language proficiency at level B1



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Legal assistance fees

3 - 6 MONTHS

Processing time

Validity period: 2 year, extendable for 3 years

Eligibility for permanent residence after 5 years. Eligibility for citizenship after 10 years

Key requirements



This residence permit is designed for applicants who wish to establish a company and carry out entrepreneurial activities in Austria

Residence permit for individual entrepreneurs

FROM 100,000 EUR

Recruited foreign capital to Austria

- Create new jobs or help preserve existing ones (at least 2)
- Be of importance to the region, in which the company operates
- Develop an innovative product or service

Residence permit for startups

FROM 50,000 EUR

Recruited foreign capital to Austria

- Have an innovative business concept
- Score the minimum qualification points according to the Key Professional Scheme



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RED-WHITE-RED CARD FOR KEY SPECIALISTS – INDIVIDUAL ENTREPRENEURS AND STARTUPS

Application terms

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