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# EU / Bulgarian Citizenship by Investment Program



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### Key Points: EU / Bulgarian Citizenship by Investment Program

- No stay requirement
- No requirement to speak the Bulgarian language
- Citizenship is granted to the applicant, the spouse, and to children of all age
- Allows dual citizenship
- Multiple investment options
- Simple procedure based on strict laws
- Only 1 visit to Bulgaria for 1 day
- 156 visa free countries; Bulgaria offers the 14<sup>th</sup> best passport in the world
- As an EU citizen, you can live, work and study in every EU country including Switzerland and Norway
- Settle in the USA using the E-2 Visa program, available only to US treaty countries



# Location of Bulgaria; Travel Time to EU Countries



# Visa-free Countries

As of May 2018, Bulgarian citizens can travel visa-free to 156 countries.

Overview of the most popular visa-free countries:	Freedom of settlement without restrictions:			
<ul> <li>Australia</li> <li>Canada</li> <li>Hong Kong</li> <li>Japan</li> <li>Macau</li> <li>Malaysia</li> <li>Singapore</li> <li>South Korea</li> <li>Taiwan</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Austria</li> <li>Belgium</li> <li>Cyprus</li> <li>Denmark</li> <li>Finland</li> <li>France</li> <li>Germany</li> <li>Greece</li> <li>Hungary</li> <li>Ireland</li> <li>Ireland</li> <li>Ireland</li> <li>Netherlands</li> <li>Norway</li> <li>Sweden</li> <li>Switzerland</li> </ul>			

Source: Ministry of Foreign Affairs Bulgaria; www.mfa.bg/setlang/en

# EU Citizenship by Investment Program Comparison

Country	Investment	Cost	Product	Result	Language and Residency	Time to Passport	US E-2 Visa	Remarks
	0 EUR	270,000 EUR	Financing Fast					<ul> <li>Refundable and non-refundable investments</li> <li>Several investment opportunities</li> <li>Immediate family included</li> <li>Permanent residency within 6 months, citizenship</li> </ul>
Bulgaria	412,000 EUR	88,000 EUR	Property Fast	Citizenship and Passport	t No	18 months	Yes	<ul> <li>and passport in 18 months</li> <li>Settling in the UK after 6 months via intercompany transfer</li> <li>Settling in the EU, Switzerland and Norway after 18 months</li> <li>Settling in the US via an E-2 Visa</li> <li>Ranked on 7<sup>th</sup> position on Bloomberg Risk Indicator Matrix</li> <li>Third lowest Debt-to-GDP ratio in the EU</li> </ul>
	750,000 EUR	30,000 EUR	Life Insurance Financing Fast					
	1,024,000 EUR	30,000 EUR	Government Bond Fast					
Greece	250,000 EUR	90,000 EUR	Property	Visa D	Yes	84 months	Yes	<ul> <li>Purchase of overpriced property with low resell value</li> <li>Visa D offers free movement within the Schengen area only</li> <li>Travelling to the UK is not possible</li> <li>Settling in other EU countries is not possible</li> <li>Not attractive as it is an overpriced program with no real immigration status</li> </ul>
Portugal	350,000 EUR	50,000 EUR	Property	Visa D	Yes	84 months	Yes	≦ Same as Greece
Spain	500,000 EUR	50,000 EUR	Property	Visa D	Yes	126 months	Yes	≤ Same as Greece
Cyprus	500,000 EUR	120,000 EUR	Financing	Citizenship and Passport	No	6 months	No	<ul> <li>Fastest EU Citizenship by Investment Program</li> <li>Partially refundable investment</li> <li>Immediate family included with age-restriction for children</li> <li>Settling in the EU, Switzerland and Norway after 6 months</li> </ul>
Malta	350,000 EUR	650,000 EUR	Property & Donation	Citizenship and Passport	No	18 months	No	<ul> <li>Non-refundable donation to the government</li> <li>Purchase of overpriced property with low resell value</li> </ul>
UK	2,000,000 GBP	200,000 GBP	Government Bond	Residency	No	72 months	Yes	≦ Effective program, but very expensive.

### Investment Options: Fast Track

Financing	Investment in	Investment in Life Insurance	Investment in Government Bond
<ul> <li>Non-refundable all- in handling fee according to Agent (starting at EUR 270,000)</li> <li>Permanent residency within 6 months</li> <li>Become an EU citizen in 18 months</li> <li>Immediate family included</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Refundable investment of <b>EUR 412,000</b> in two Apartments.</li> <li>Permanent residency within 6 months</li> <li>Become an EU citizen in 18 months</li> <li>Immediate family included</li> <li>Buyback option after 7<sup>th</sup> year</li> <li>Yearly returns are used for Equity financing for citizenship</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Refundable investment of <b>EUR 375,000</b> in a Unit Linked Life Insurance Policy</li> <li>Permanent residency within 6 months</li> <li>Become an EU citizen in 66 months</li> <li>Fast track option by topping up an additional <b>EUR 375,000</b> to become an EU citizen in 18 months</li> <li>Immediate family included</li> <li>Surrender option after 5<sup>th</sup> year</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Refundable investment of <b>EUR 512,000</b> in Bulgarian Government Bond</li> <li>Permanent residency within 6 months</li> <li>Become an EU citizen in 66 months</li> <li>Fast track option by topping up an additional <b>EUR 512,000</b> to become an EU citizen in 18 months</li> <li>Immediate family included</li> <li>Buyback option after 5<sup>th</sup> year</li> <li>Interest paid for the investment</li> </ul>

# Application Flow in 6 Easy Steps



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# **Document Samples**



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