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make fixed capital investment **at least**
500.000 US Dollars
or equivalent foreign currency or equivalent amount of Turkish Lira.

purchase the immovable property **at least**
250.000 US Dollars
or equivalent foreign currency or equivalent amount of Turkish Lira and attach annotation at land registration not to sell this property for three years.

employ **at least**
50 Employees

invest **at least**
500.000 US Dollars
or its equivalent in foreign currency or equivalent amount of Turkish Lira and make commitment to hold the amount of deposits for three years at banks operating in Turkey

purchase public borrowing instruments **at least**
500.000 US Dollars
or equivalent foreign currency or equivalent amount of Turkish Lira and make commitment to hold these instruments for three years

purchase a real estate investment fund participation share or venture capital investment fund participation amount of **at least**
500.000 US Dollars
or equivalent foreign currency or equivalent amount of Turkish Lira and make commitment to hold these participation shares for three-years.

***Transition is possible between the investment types in order to complete the duration mentioned above.*

1.STEP ISSUANCE OF CONFORMITY CERTIFICATE



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APPLICATION STEPS FOR FOREIGN INVESTORS WHO MAKE FIXED CAPITAL INVESTMENT AT **LEAST 500.000 US DOLLARS** OR **US DOLLARS** OR EQUIVALENT FOREIGN CURRENCY OR EQUIVALENT AMOUNT OF TURKISH LIRA.

The application for Certificate of Conformity is submitted to the Ministry of Industry and Technology, Directorate General of Incentive Implementation and Foreign Investment.

APPLICATION STEPS FOR FOREIGN INVESTORS WHO PURCHASE THE IMMOVABLE **PROPERTY AT LEAST 250.000 US DOLLARS** OR EQUIVALENT FOREIGN CURRENCY OR EQUIVALENT AMOUNT OF TURKISH LIRA AND ATTACH ANNOTATION AT LAND REGISTRATION NOT TO SELL THIS PROPERTY FOR THREE YEARS.

The application for Certificate of Conformity is submitted to Ministry of Environment and Urbanization, Directorate General of Land Registry and Cadastre.



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APPLICATION STEPS FOR FOREIGN INVESTORS WHO EMPLOY AT **LEAST 50 EMPLOYEES.**

The application for Certificate of Conformity is submitted to Ministry of Family, Labor and Social Services Directorate General of International Labor Force.



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KURUMU

APPLICATION STEPS FOR FOREIGN INVESTORS WHO INVEST AT **LEAST 500.000 US DOLLARS** OR ITS EQUIVALENT IN FOREIGN CURRENCY OR EQUIVALENT AMOUNT OF TURKISH LIRA AND MAKE COMMITMENT TO HOLD THE AMOUNT OF DEPOSITS FOR THREE YEARS AT BANKS OPERATING IN TURKEY.

The application for Certificate of Conformity is submitted to the Banking Regulation and Supervision Agency, Department of Financial Consumer Relations.



APPLICATION STEPS FOR FOREIGN INVESTORS WHO PURCHASE PUBLIC BORROWING **INSTRUMENTS AT LEAST 500.000 US DOLLARS** OR EQUIVALENT FOREIGN CURRENCY OR EQUIVALENT AMOUNT OF TURKISH LIRA AND MAKE COMMITMENT TO HOLD THESE INSTRUMENTS FOR THREE YEARS

The application for Certificate of Conformity is submitted to the Ministry of Treasury and Finance.



APPLICATION STEPS FOR FOREIGN INVESTORS WHO PURCHASE A REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT SHARE OR VENTURE CAPITAL INVESTMENT FUND PARTICIPATION AMOUNT OF **AT LEAST 500.000 US DOLLARS** OR EQUIVALENT FOREIGN CURRENCY OR EQUIVALENT AMOUNT OF TURKISH LIRA AND MAKE COMMITMENT TO HOLD THESE PARTICIPATION SHARES FOR THREE-YEARS.

The application for Certificate of Conformity is submitted to the Capital Market Board, Department of Intermediary Activities.



2.STEP ISSUANCE OF RESIDENCE PERMIT



The necessary documents for residence permit are prepared under (i) subparagraph of Article 31 of the Law No.6458.



Application is submitted to Directorate of Migration Management in the Province of residence.



The necessary documents are prepared for application of citizenship.



3.STEP APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP



Application is submitted to Directorate of Migration Management in the Province of residence.



Citizenship file is opened and sent to Directorate General of Civil Registration and Citizenship Affairs.



STEPS FOR FOREIGNERS WHO HOLD A TURQUOISE CARD



The application for Turquoise Card is submitted under Article 11 of the Law No.6735.



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It is proposed by the Ministry of Family, Labor and Social Services pursuant to third subparagraph of Article 19 of Turquoise Card Regulation.

Provincial Directorate of Population and Citizenship is instructed to open a citizenship file.



The citizenship file is prepared and sent to Directorate General of Civil Registration and Citizenship Affairs.



STEPS REGARDING PROVINCIAL DIRECTORATES OF POPULATION AND CITIZENSHIP AND PROVINCIAL DIRECTORATES OF MIGRATION MANAGEMENT IN OTHER CITIES

For Those Who Have Certificate of Conformity



Certificate of Conformity is obtained from the relevant institutions to verify the authenticity of investment.



The person is referred by customer representatives to the authorized officer in Directorate General of Migration Management (DGMM) and Directorate General of Civil Registration and Citizenship Affairs (DGCRCA) for residence/citizenship application.



For Those Who Have Not Certificate of Conformity



The person is referred by customer representatives to the officer from the technical office determined by relevant verifying institutions in order to obtain advocacy services about the investment and Certificate of Conformity.



The Certificate of Conformity is provided to the investors by the officer from technical office through the advocacy services and coordination with his/her own institution.



After the Certificate of Conformity is obtained, the person is referred to the authorized officer in DGMM and DGCRCA for residence/citizenship application.

Each step of the application process is followed by the customer representatives who provide the foreign investors with advocacy and support services.



The file is prepared after receiving residence/citizenship application together with jointly determined documents by Migration and Population staff.



The final citizenship application file is sent to Directorate General of Civil Registration and Citizenship Affairs.

STEPS REGARDING

PROVINCIAL DIRECTORATES OF POPULATION AND CITIZENSHIP AND PROVINCIAL DIRECTORATES OF MIGRATION MANAGEMENT IN OTHER CITIES



The application is submitted for residence permit together with the certificate of conformity of necessary and necessary documents.



The residence permit application is received and sent to Directorate General of Migration Management.



After the foreigner has received residence permit, he/she applies to Provincial Directorates of Population and Citizenship to submit a citizenship application.



A citizenship application file is opened and sent to Directorate General of Civil Registration and Citizenship Affairs.



STEPS REGARDING

DIRECTORATE GENERAL OF POPULATION AND CITIZENSHIP AFFAIRS



The citizenship file is prepared by Provincial Directorate of Population and Citizenship and sent to Directorate General of Civil Registration and Citizenship Affairs.

An archive research is made in order to determine if there is any preventive condition regarding national security and public order.



It is sent to the Presidency to receive a Presidential Decision.



Upon the decision of the President to receive Turkish citizenship, Turkish Citizenship is acquired.

If the result of archive research is positive, the file is submitted to the Ministry to be sent to the Presidency.





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