

StartUp Visa

Mini Guide for application submission

The StartUp Visa application takes place in two steps.

First step:

The entrepreneur should start the process by filling out the identification and description of the project and *upload* the following documents (for each entrepreneur):

- Letter of motivation with demonstration of interest in developing an entrepreneurial and/or innovative project in Portugal;
- Copy of the passport. If there is permanent or long-term residence in a country not a part of the Schengen Area, copy of residence permit applicable in that country;
- In case the applicant already bears a tax and/or social security number in Portugal, the
 certificates obtained in the respective websites must be attached to the application
 form and IAPMEI must be granted authorization for online consultation with the Tax
 and Social Security Authorities. It will be required to identify IAPMEI Tax Number
 (501373357) and Social Security (20004578827). If the citizen does not have a Tax and
 / or Social Security number in Portugal, a statement to this effect must be attached;
- Certificate or criminal record from the judicial services of the country of origin / residence;
- Statement from the bank that proves the existence of own financial means of subsistence corresponding to € 5,146.80,80, and that the possibility of transferring these funds to a bank operating in Portugal;
- Curriculum vitae.

The entrepreneur can also attach a project presentation file that can help the incubator do the evaluation.

After completing this information, the entrepreneur must send a request to **at least** one incubator, to obtain a declaration of interest in the incubation, namely taking into account:

- a. The innovative side of the project;
- b. The potential for growth;
- c. The scaling up of the business in the market;
- d. The perspectives of the setting up in Portugal, after the end of the program.

To advance to the 2nd step, the entrepreneur must obtain a positive feedback from at least one incubator. After that the entrepreneur must complete application information and submit it through this online platform, for IAPMEI approval.

The elements provided in this application do not substitute the mandatory procedures carried out by the Portuguese consular services or the Immigrant and Borders Service for granting an entry visa or residence permit. Consult with the Portuguese consular services or the or the Immigrant and Borders Service on your country of origin.

Further information available at http://www.secomunidades.pt/vistos/