Proposed Changes to Portugal's Golden Visa

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The governing PSD and CDS-PP have filed a budget amendment, revised on 13 November, that would reshape the eligible investment for Golden Visa purposes:

Route	Current	Pro
Investment funds	€500,000, at least 60% in Portuguese companies	€5 Po
Scientific research	€500,000	€2
Social-care facilities	Not available	€2
Culture and heritage	From €200,000 (low density)	Un

The changes would apply only to applications submitted after the final approval of the budget.

Existing holders are not affected. Renewals and family reunification continue under the rules in force when they first applied, as happened after the 2023 reforms.

What could this mean for you?

For prospective applicants, the proposals could introduce new investment opportunities while changing the requirements for some existing routes. Anyone currently considering an application may therefore wish to review their preferred route and the timing of their application.

Committee votes run from 18th to 23rd November, and the final budget vote is on 24th November. We will keep you posted.

Our Portugal team can discuss how the proposed changes may affect your circumstances. Reach out to Dixcart for more information: advice.portugal@dixcart.com

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