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ABOUT US

Migrates.ca is a premier international business consulting firm committed to unlocking global opportunities for talented individuals. We specialize in empowering entrepreneurs to establish and scale thriving businesses in some of the world's most prosperous and promising countries. By providing end-to-end support—from vision development and strategic planning to market execution—we ensure every entrepreneur's journey is not only seamless but also successful.

At Migrates.ca, we go beyond traditional consulting. Our comprehensive training programs, expert mentorship, and tailored business solutions are designed to equip individuals with the tools they need to create innovative enterprises that drive meaningful change. Our mission is to nurture visionary leaders who introduce groundbreaking ideas, fuel economic growth, and deliver transformative value to local and global economies.

Headquartered in Toronto, Canada, Migrates.ca combines a global perspective with a proven track record of success. Our expertise extends beyond business advisory to include navigating complex immigration pathways, making it easier for entrepreneurs to access new markets and settle in thriving business ecosystems. At MIGRATES, we don't just help businesses launch; we help them redefine success, creating ventures that flourish and leave an enduring impact on the international stage.

OUR EXPERTISE

Residency by Investment

The process of obtaining permanent residency status in a foreign country by investing there. Programs offering such benefits are widely available and come with numerous advantages over standard immigration processes. While applications for citizenship or long-term visas could take years, or sometimes even months or weeks for nationals from allied nations, this new process typically lasts about six months or less before the resident can secure full residency rights overseas and live full-time outside their native country.

Citizenship by Investment

The program offers families the option of acquiring a second citizenship, giving them the ability to freely travel and settle in other countries at an accelerated rate. Citizenship by investment program offers a legal route for individuals who want to obtain residency or nationality in other countries through investments.





OUR PERSONALISED SERVICES

- Eligibility evaluation Assistance on
- documentation including business plan and
- feasibility report Due diligence File preparation and submission to the concerned authority
- Counselling on the business environment in the country of immigration
- Assistance in setting up business.



WHY CANADA?

- Government - Constitutional Monarchy
- GDP - \$1.672 Trillion
- Currency - Canadian Dollar (CAD)
- Exchange - 1 USD - 1.39 CAD
- Visa Free Travel - 158 Countries
- Passport Ranking - 4th in the world
- Total Population - 35.1 Million (as of December 2016)

It is one of the strong economies in the world with low taxes and low business costs. It is the safest country with a high standard of living and great infrastructure. Along with excellent public and private health care system, it also offers a comprehensive range of government programs to support business and technological development. It has close integration with US Economic markets and NAFTA.

SOCIAL ADVANTAGES

- Free education for children up to grade 12, University education is highly subsidized.
- Free medical for Families except for dental, physiotherapy, and Ophthalmology.

Benefits For All

CHILD CARE ALLOWANCE.
UN-EMPLOYMENT ALLOWANCE.
OLD AGE PENSION.



In addition:

- We will need to use a corporate structure as required by provincial regulations.
- The company would be required to provide a credible business plan.
- Your proposed business operations in Canada would need to be substantially capitalized to support the business plan.
- The amount to transfer to your company account in Canada will depend on the business model planned for your Canadian branch/Subsidiary.

Once you have completed all the required undertakings, we will prepare and apply for the temporary work permit and temporary residence visas for accompanying family members.



ALBERTA RURAL ENTREPRENEUR STREAM

The [Alberta Rural Entrepreneur Stream](#) is a part of the [Alberta Advantage Immigration Program \(AAIP\)](#). It allows entrepreneurs who wish to start or buy a business in designated rural communities of Alberta to submit an Expression of Interest (EOI). Successful candidates enter Alberta with a work permit, establish their business according to the terms of a [Business Performance Agreement](#), and then receive a nomination for permanent residence through the AAIP.

WHAT IS A RURAL ALBERTA COMMUNITY?

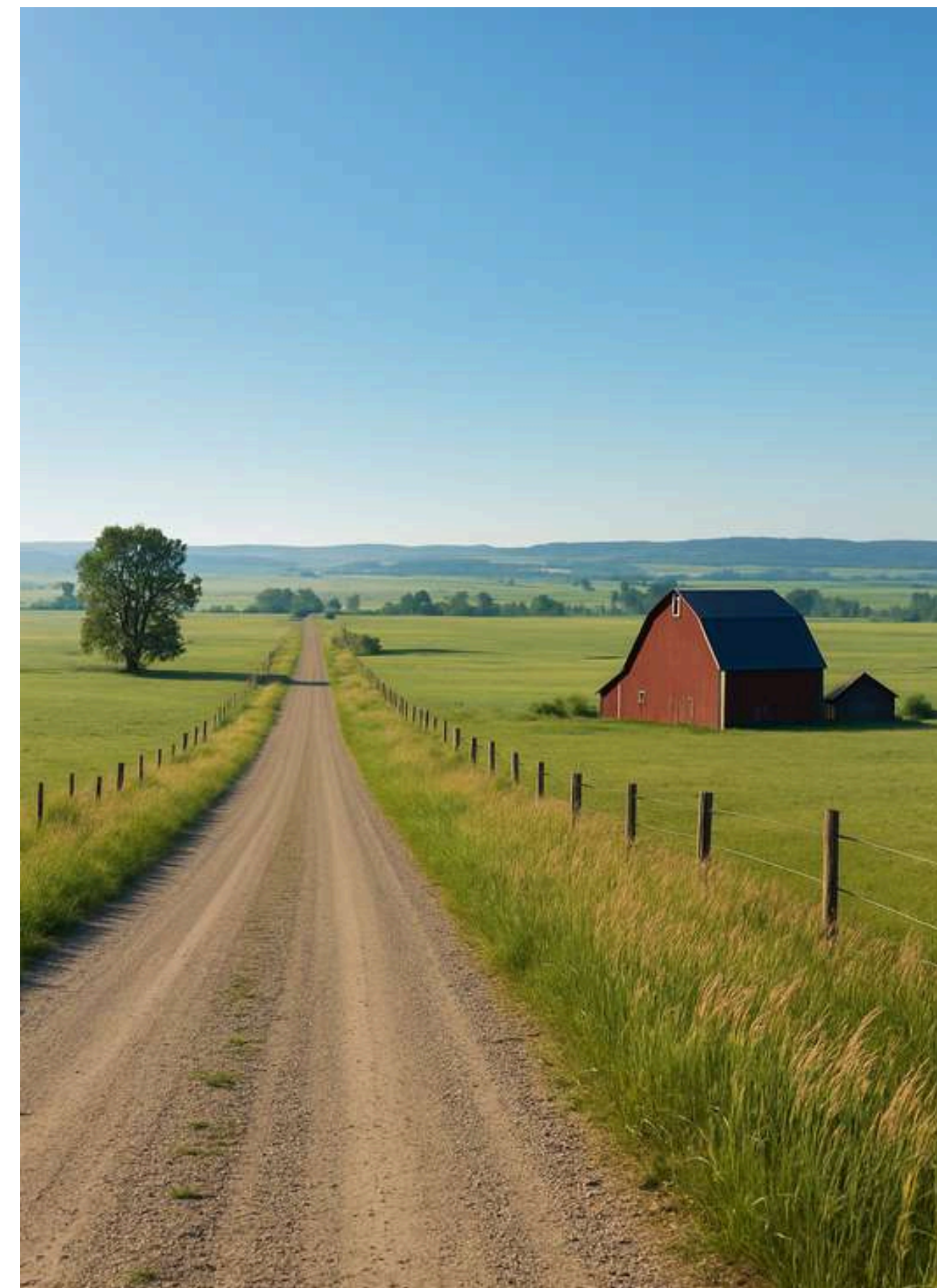
A rural Alberta community is defined as any community with a population of less than 100,000, located outside of the Calgary and Edmonton census metropolitan areas.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Candidates must meet the following criteria:

- **Business Experience:**
 - 3 years as an active business owner or
 - 4 years as a senior manager in the last 10 years.
- **Education:**
 - High school equivalent to Canadian standards, certified by an Educational Credential Assessment (ECA).

- **Language Skills:**
 - Minimum CLB level 4 in English or French (reading, writing, listening, and speaking).
- **Investment:**
 - Minimum investment of \$100,000+ from personal or spousal/common-law funds.
- **Net Worth:**
 - Minimum \$300,000+ net worth.
- **Business Ownership:**
 - Own at least 51% of a new business.
- **Community Support Letter:**
 - Must have a support letter from a participating rural Alberta community.
- **Age**
 - Must be between **21 and 59+ years old.**



FACTORS THAT INCREASE THE CHANCES OF RECEIVING A REQUEST TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION

Your chances improve if:

- **Age**
 - Must be between **21 and 59+ years old**.
- **Spouse/Common-Law Partner:**
 - They have at least 1 year of post-secondary education or
 - They have a minimum CLB level 4 in English/French.
- **Relatives in Alberta:**
 - Having close relatives (father, mother, child, siblings, step-relatives) as permanent residents in Alberta.



ELIGIBLE BUSINESSES

Businesses must meet the following requirements:

- **Profit-Oriented:**
 - The business must generate profit through active or earned income (sale of goods/services).
- **Compliance:**
 - Must comply with federal, provincial, municipal, and trade certification requirements in Alberta.
- **Physical Presence:**
 - The business must have a physical location in a rural Alberta community.
- **Ownership:**
 - Own at least 51% of a new business or 100% of an existing business.
- **Day-to-Day Management:**
 - Candidates must manage the business in Alberta (cannot be done remotely).



NON-ELIGIBLE BUSINESSES

Businesses are ineligible if they:

- Contravene the Immigration and Refugee Protection Act.
- Lack value-added economic activities (e.g., payday loans, second-hand goods).
- Are passive investments (e.g., real estate rental).
- Involve real estate development, brokerage, or insurance brokerage.
- Are project-based or seasonal.
- Are home-based (e.g., bed and breakfasts).
- Are part of a family succession plan or previously owned by an AAIP candidate.
- Produce or sell pornography or sexually explicit services

APPLICATION PROCESS

The application process generally follows these steps:

- **Submit Expression of Interest (EOI)**
 - Submit an EOI, evaluated based on age, education, work experience, and business concept.
- **Business Concept Package**
 - If selected, submit a detailed business concept and plan.
- **In-Person Interview**
 - Attend an in-person interview in Alberta to discuss your business proposal.

- **Nomination**

- Receive a nomination certificate from Alberta upon approval.

- **Permanent Residence Application**

- Apply for permanent residence through Canada's federal Express Entry system.



ALBERTA RURAL ENTREPRENEUR STREAM – POINTS GRID

The **Alberta Rural Entrepreneur** Stream uses a points-based system to select candidates. Applicants submit an **Expression of Interest (EOI)**, which is scored based on various factors. Only the highest-scoring candidates will be invited to submit an official business proposal to operate in Alberta.

Criteria	Description	Points
Rural Factor	Based on the business location outside Edmonton and Calgary metropolitan areas.	25 Points
Business Experience	Business owner-manager or senior management experience within the past 10 years.	20 Points
Business Establishmen	Total business investment, net worth, job creation, and business succession factors.	60 Points
Human Capital	Language proficiency and educational qualifications.	35 Points
Adaptability	Experience in Alberta or Canada, relatives in Alberta, and spouse's qualifications.	35 Points
Age	Applicant's age at the time of application.	5 Points
Maximum Points		175 Points





PROCESSING TIME

The processing time for the Alberta Entrepreneur Immigration Program can vary depending on various factors, including the immigration stream, the volume of applications, and the completeness of your submission. Generally, you can expect the process to take 12-24 months.

TIP: To expedite your application, ensure that all required documents are complete and up to date. Be prepared for the in-person interview, as this step can significantly impact the overall processing time.





EXPLORE MORE GLOBAL OPPORTUNITIES WITH US!

At Migrates.ca, we go beyond borders to bring you tailor-made pathways to success. Whether you're a visionary entrepreneur, an innovator, or a global talent looking to build a future abroad — we've got the right programs to launch your journey.

➤ CANADA STARTUP VISA PROGRAM

Start your business in Canada and get PR for entire family. Turn your big idea into a global success story — in Canada! With our expert support and access to designated incubators and venture networks, this program helps you start strong and scale fast in one of the world's most innovation-friendly countries.

➤ EB-2 NIW STARTUP PROGRAM (USA)

No job offer? No problem. The EB-2 NIW allows highly skilled entrepreneurs and professionals to secure permanent residency in the U.S. by proving their work benefits the nation. Perfect for founders, researchers, and disruptors ready to make an impact.

➤ ALBERTA RURAL ENTREPRENEUR STREAM

Bring your business dreams to life in Alberta's thriving rural communities. Enjoy a peaceful lifestyle while tapping into local markets, government support, and growth potential — all with a clear path to permanent residency.

➤ PORTUGAL HQA VISA PROGRAM

Build your startup in Europe's hidden gem. The Portugal HQA Visa connects you with leading universities and a streamlined residency route. It's your chance to innovate, live, and expand your business in the heart of the EU.



Why Choose MIGRATES.CA?

Migrates.ca caters to the Migration and Business needs of executives and eminent individuals. We offer numerous services including; Citizenship by Investment Business Residency Work and Study Programs worldwide

Think of us as your personal team -with over a decade's worth of experience in the field, Migrates.ca will help you prepare the documents needed for your citizenship application and for you to obtain your new passport.

This is made possible by our legal and administrative expertise and by our extensive network of reliable, hand-picked partners of Immigration Lawyers, Consultants, Realtors, Business Planners & More

Migrates.ca is full-service business consultancy firm that help foreign entrepreneurs establish their new business worldwide as part of various immigration programs

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