The Global Investor Programme

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The Global Investor Programme, administered by the Economic Development Board, grants permanent residence to investors who commit capital to Singapore. The conditions were raised with effect from 15 March 2023. Option A requires an investment of at least S$ 10 million in a new or existing Singapore business. Option B requires S$ 25 million in a GIP-select fund. Option C, the family office option, requires the establishment of a Singapore single family office with assets under management of at least S$ 200 million. At least S$ 50 million of that must be deployed in Singapore in one of four categories of qualifying investments.[1] The renewal of the re-entry permit after five years depends on meeting further conditions on business spending, local employment or continued deployment.

For a crypto family the Option C threshold of S$ 200 million is measured by the family office's assets under management. The EDB has accepted digital assets as part of that figure where they are held through the family office structure and valued by a reputable source. The S$ 50 million that must be deployed in Singapore cannot be in tokens, because the four categories are Singapore-listed securities, qualifying debt securities, funds distributed by Singapore-licensed managers and Singapore

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operating companies. The programme is therefore open to crypto wealth but requires that a quarter of the committed amount be converted into conventional Singapore investments.[2]

Notes

1. Economic Development Board, Global Investor Programme, revised conditions effective 15 March 2023 (Option A S$ 10 million; Option B S$ 25 million; Option C family office with S$ 200 million AUM and S$ 50 million deployed in Singapore). ↩
2. Economic Development Board, Global Investor Programme, Option C qualifying investment categories and re-entry permit renewal conditions. ↩

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