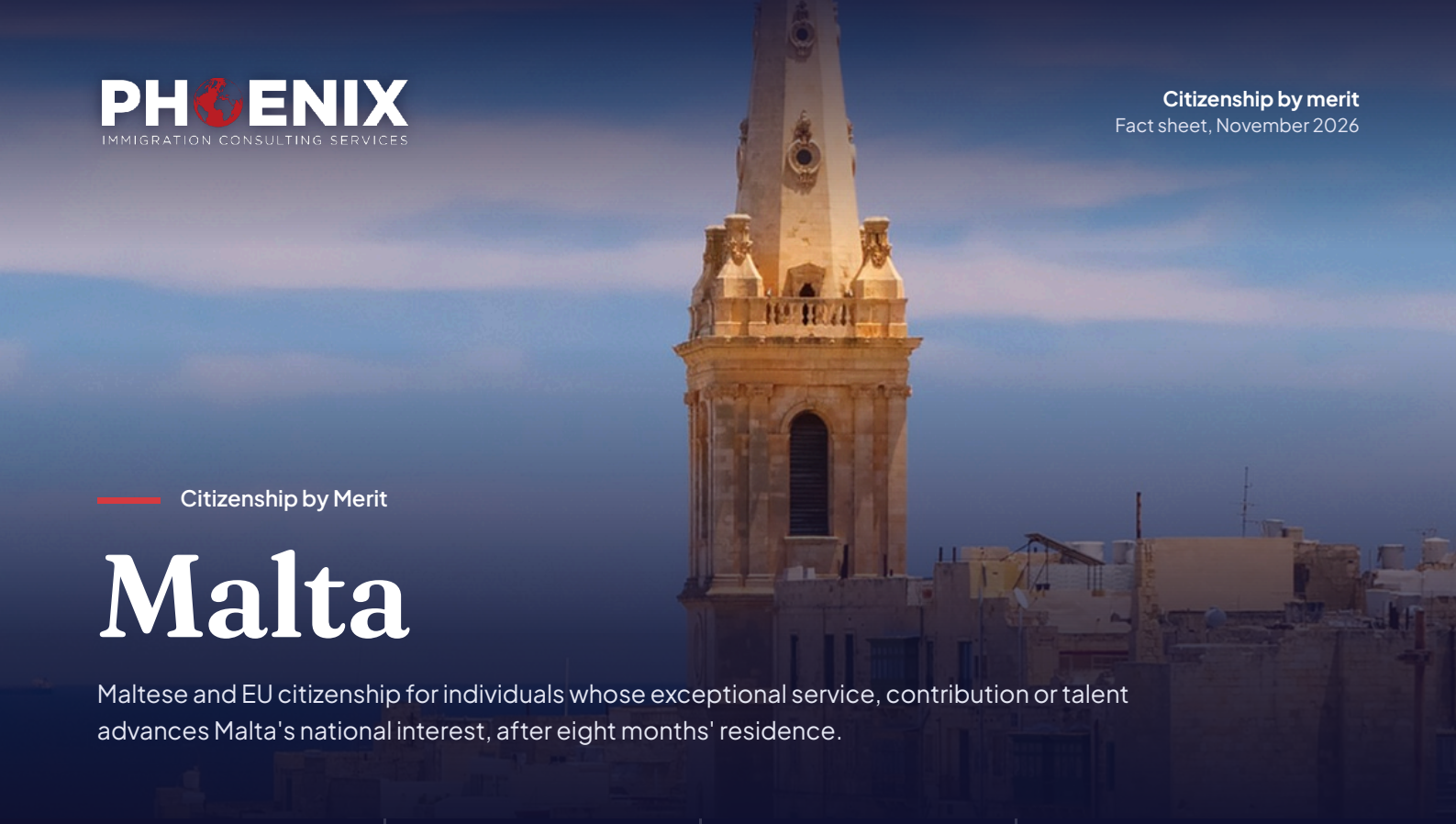
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Citizenship by merit
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Citizenship by Merit

Malta

Maltese and EU citizenship for individuals whose exceptional service, contribution or talent advances Malta's national interest, after eight months' residence.

8 months	1 of 3	Language	EU
Minimum residence in Malta	Merit criteria to be met	Adequate Maltese or English required	Citizenship on approval

Why Malta

Malta, a European Union country, has risen to be one of Europe's leading investment locations, driven by its reputation for stability, predictability and security, while its Mediterranean lifestyle attracts wealthy individuals and families. Its legal framework provides citizenship for individuals who render exceptional services or contributions to the Republic of Malta or to humanity, or whose naturalization is of exceptional interest to the Republic.

Key benefits

EU citizenship
Maltese citizenship in a member state of the European Union, granted on merit.

Family inclusion
A spouse or partner and dependent children may be included, subject to eligibility requirements.

Robust vetting
Governed by robust due diligence and vetting in line with stringent compliance standards.

Mediterranean lifestyle
A stable, secure island nation and one of Europe's leading investment locations.

Country profile

Population
588,000

Languages
English and Maltese

Economy
Advanced and innovation-driven

Currency
Euro

Program overview

- Eligible fields include science and research, sports and athletics, and arts and culture
- Also entrepreneurship and philanthropy, technology and innovation, and other areas adding value to Malta

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Qualifying criteria

Applicants must meet at least one of the following merit-based criteria.

Exceptional service

Achievement

Major achievements or contributions in a specific field, serving Malta or humanity.

Notable contribution

Initiative

Including philanthropy or entrepreneurship initiatives that generate employment and opportunities.

National interest

Expertise

Skills, qualities, talents or expertise considered vital to advancing Malta's national priorities and long-term interests.

Main applicant requirements

- Adequate knowledge of either Maltese or English
- A minimum residence period of eight months in Malta
- Evidence of ties established to Malta, as outlined in the proposal letter

Good to know

- The proposal covers achievements, the exceptional merit and a plan for continuing to contribute to Malta
- Applications follow a strict statutory framework, with final approval by the Minister
- Successful applicants take the Oath of Allegiance, then apply for a Maltese passport

Your application journey

Onboarding

01 Prospective applicant contacts Phoenix Immigration Consulting Services

02 Initial due diligence checks completed

03 Prospective applicant signs agreement

Proposal

04 Proposal developed and submitted to the Community Malta Agency

05 Due diligence checks completed by the Agency

06 Applicant informed whether to proceed to naturalization

Citizenship

07 Naturalization application submitted with supporting proof

08 The Minister decides whether to grant Maltese citizenship

09 **Oath of Allegiance taken and certificate of naturalization received**

Talk to a Phoenix advisor

We assess your eligibility, compare the routes open to you and manage your application from first consultation to approval.

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