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Over the past decade or so, we have proactively developed a diversified all-in-one financial services platform, and endeavor to provide our high-net- worth clients and business partners with reliable and holistic solutions on wealth management services, including securities, bond, fund, insurance, Open-ended Fund Companies (OFC) and Limited Partnership Fund (LPF), etc. Meanwhile, we are one of the largest licensed securities companies in providing the Capital Investment Entrant Scheme (CIES), dedicated to providing our clients the tailored, robust and strong growth potential asset allocation.

CIS International Services Limited (CIS International), one of the Group subsidiaries has over the years provided a one-stop services for their clients in applying Hong Kong migrant admission scheme and visa or identity, as well as the solution on long-term wealth planning. The professional team of CIS International provides a total solution service on asset allocation and long-term wealth management which can fulfill the client's needs on CRS, living overseas, overseas development and foreign investment.



Historic and Experienced Brand

- One of the largest licensed securities firms in providing the Capital Investment Entrant Scheme (CIES) services
- Our professional team is with over a decade experience in handling the application of CIES, extension of stay, Unconditional Stay and Hong Kong permanent residence
- With over 1,000+ CIES's clients, maintain continuous services on residency and asset management
- Existing AUM is over 10 billion



Holistic Services

- Provide one-stop services that are not only limited to residency
- Our services cover securities, funds, bonds, insurance, family office, trust, overseas migration, taxation, as well as all kinds of investment and asset management
- Fulfill client's needs on robust and strong growth potential investment, to achieve global presence

New Capital Investment Entrant Scheme 2024

Enhancement Measures with effect from 1 March 2025

The new and revamped Capital Investment Entrant Scheme (New CIES) is launched and started accepting applications from 1 March 2024. Applicants are required to invest not less than HKD 30 million net in Permissible Investment Assets after 1 March 2024. The new approach of the permissible investment assets increases the attractiveness of the scheme as it would be conducive to the CIES applicants in executing cross-border and cross-boundary asset allocations via investing in those Hong Kong local funds, achieving their needs of both individuals and families financial planning or risk appetite on investment portfolio. **Meanwhile, there is an enhancement measures on the New CIES with effect from 1 March 2025, aiming to encourage more investors to join.**

Key Points of the Scheme

Age

- The Applicant/Entrant is aged 18 or above at the time of applying for Net Asset Assessment.

Scope of the Scheme

- Foreign nationals (Afghanistan, Cuba, and Democratic People's Republic of Korea are excluded), Macao Special Administrative Region residents, Chinese nationals who have obtained permanent resident status in a foreign country and Chinese residents of Taiwan.

Net Assets

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- The Applicant/Entrant must demonstrate that he/she is absolutely beneficially entitled to Net assets of not less than HK\$30 million Net (or equivalent in foreign currencies) **throughout the SIX months** preceding the application for Net Asset Assessment (the respective portion of jointly-owned assets with family member(s) which is absolutely beneficially entitled to the applicant can also be taken into account) to fulfill the Net Asset Requirement.

Investment in Permissible investment assets

- The Applicant/Entrant must make investment of a minimum of HK\$30 million Net (or equivalent in foreign currencies) in the Permissible investment assets within a specified timeframe to fulfill the Investment Requirements.

No adverse record

- The Applicant/Entrant must have no adverse immigration record and meet normal immigration and security requirements.

Capability of supporting and accommodating

- The Applicant/Entrant must demonstrate the capability of supporting and accommodating himself/herself and his/her dependents[^]. (^Applicant's spouse, the other party to a same-sex civil partnership, same-sex civil union, "same-sex marriage", opposite-sex civil partnership or opposite-sex civil union entered into by him/her in accordance with the local law in force of the place of celebration and with such status being legally and officially recognized by the local authorities of the place of celebration or unmarried.)

- The Applicant/Entrant must make investment of a minimum of HK\$30 million Net (or equivalent in foreign currencies) in the Permissible investment assets. Assets acquired before the launch date of the Scheme shall not be counted towards the fulfillment of minimum investment threshold.



Eligibility Requirements



Minium Investment Threshold



Investment Portfolio

- The Applicant/Entrant must invest a minimum of HK\$27 million in any of the Permissible financial assets and/or real estate.
- Place HKD 3 million into a new CIES IP, which is an investment portfolio managed by the Hong Kong Investment Corporation Limited (“HKIC”). It will primarily invest in companies/ projects with a Hong Kong nexus, with a view to supporting the development of innovation and technology industries and other strategic industries that are beneficial to the long-term development of Hong Kong’s economy.

^ The HK\$3 million placed into the CIES IP will be subject to a lock-up period. After expiry of the applicable lock-up period, and the invested amount may be withdrawn by or distributed to the Applicant/Entrant subject to the terms of the CIES IP, however the exact timing of withdrawal or distribution may depend on market liquidity and strategy of fund managers to realise underlying investments of the CIES IP (which may be subject to factors beyond the control of the CIES IP).



Holding Mechanism of Permissible Investments

Enhancement Measures with effect from 1 March 2025

The Applicant/Entrant must deposit his Permissible financial assets into designated account(s) operated by eligible financial intermediary(ies), use the designated account(s) exclusively for the transaction of Permissible financial assets and must not reduce the committed investment while permitted to stay in Hong Kong.

The designated account(s) must be held:

- in the own name of the applicant; or
- in the name of a Holding Company, which fulfills all of the following conditions during the six months preceding the date the applicant lodged his/her application for assessment on Investment Requirements, and during the entire period of which the applicant is permitted to stay in Hong Kong (wherever applicable) -
 - a. incorporated or registered in Hong Kong;
 - b. wholly owned by the applicant;
 - c. only holds Permissible investment assets;
 - d. in the form of Family-owned Investment Holding Vehicle (FIHV), or Family-owned Special Purpose Entity under an FIHV, where the FIHV has at least two full-time employees in Hong Kong and incurs at least HK\$2 million operating expenditure annually in Hong Kong to carry out the activities of FIHV 6; and
 - e. managed by an Eligible Single Family Office of applicant’s family which manages assets specified under Schedule 16C to the Inland Revenue Ordinance (Cap. 112) for the FIHV(s) of the family with an aggregate Net asset value of not less than HK\$240 million.







Entry, Stay and Extension

- The Applicant/Entrant who is granted “Approval- in- Principal” from the Director of Immigration (“DoI”) will be issued with a visa/ entry permit for entering and remaining in Hong Kong on visitor status for not more than 180 days.
- Afterwards, upon obtaining of “Formal Approval”, under normal circumstances, the Applicant/ Entrant and his dependents, where any, will be granted permission to stay for not more than 24 months on time limitation only, subject to the condition that the Applicant/ Entrant continues to satisfy the requirements of the Scheme throughout this period.
- Further extensions for not more than three years will normally be granted on the same conditions and on the same basis upon subsequent successful applications for extension of stay.
- An Entrant and his dependents may apply to become permanent residents of Hong Kong after a period of continuous ordinary residence in Hong Kong of not less than seven years and subject to any other relevant requirements under the Immigration Ordinance. Entrants of Chinese nationality who are permanent residents holding valid permanent identity cards may apply for Hong Kong Special Administrative Region passports.

Types of Permissible Investment Assets

The Applicant/Entrant must invest a minimum of HK\$27 million in any of the following Permissible financial assets and/or real estate.

Types			
 Equities	 Debt Securities	 Fund	 Real Estate
Must be traded or denominated in Hong Kong dollars or Renminbi and listed on the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong.	Must be traded or denominated in Hong Kong dollars or Renminbi and must be listed on the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong, or issued or guaranteed by Government of HKSAR, the Exchange Fund, or other specified entities or agencies wholly or partly owned by the Government or companies listed on the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong.	Funds authorized by SFC, Real Estate Investment Trust, Open-ended Fund Companies (OFC) and Limited Partnership Fund (LPF) (subject to an aggregate cap of HK\$10 million).	<p>Subject to an aggregate cap of HK\$10 million</p> <p>Non- Residential Real Estate</p> <p>Non-residential real estate, whether commercial and/or industrial (including pre-completion properties covering offices, commercial premises, retail premises and factories and excluding land and multi-purpose real estate partly for residential purposes) in Hong Kong.</p> <p>Residential Real Estate</p> <p>For residential real estate (including pre-completion property and multipurpose real estate partly for residential purposes) in Hong Kong, the investment must be made in one single property with transaction price of HK\$50 million or above.</p> <p><small>[^]The date of completion of the purchase of the residential property should be on or after 16 October 2024.</small></p>

Advantages of the Scheme

- 1 No age restriction and academic qualifications requirement which is more lenient than other immigration schemes.
- 2 Just required to maintain continuous investment, which is simpler than applying for an extension of stay. And the number of days to stay and work in Hong Kong is not compulsory/ required.
- 3 Hong Kong adopts a territorial source principle of taxation; the individual income tax is not higher than 15%. Individual investment and capital gains are not required to pay tax, and there is no sales tax, gift tax and estate tax in Hong Kong.
- 4 In the new CIES, the investment scope of funds is expected to relax. The bottom investment ambit of the Open-ended Fund Companies (OFC) and Limited Partnership Fund (OFC) is not limited to the investment grade of Hong Kong and China, and there is no restriction on the investment grade of qualified fund, and the underlying investment can be from the products of any markets.

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