

Latvian Citizenship

- Visa-free entry to 172 countries without prior visa issuance
- Unlimited opportunities within the 27 EU member states
- Access to the European healthcare system and social guarantees
- A stable future and high standard of living for the entire family



Latvian citizenship opens the path to a free life and new opportunities within the European Union – visa-free travel, as well as the right to work and receive education in any European country. The legal company Jurpass provides comprehensive support at every stage of the application process, from document analysis to passport issuance.

Jurpass – a guarantee of legality, transparency, and reliable support throughout every stage of immigration!

What You Receive with EU Citizenship



Visa-Free Travel to More Than 170 Countries Worldwide

EU citizenship grants you freedom of movement without visas across 172 destinations, including the United States, Canada, and Japan. These are new horizons for business, travel, and personal development without borders or customs barriers.



Freedom of Residence in Any EU Country

Choose any European Union country for residence – from the sunny coasts of Italy and Portugal to the business centers of Germany and the Netherlands. The EU guarantees you security, stability, and social protection.



Official Employment in Europe

Work in any EU country without permits or visas, with full protection of labor rights and social guarantees. In developed EU countries, your salary may range from EUR 4,000 to EUR 4,600.



Access to European Education

Obtain a degree from a prestigious EU university recognized worldwide on preferential terms or free of charge. Participate in Erasmus+ and other programs while saving on tuition and living expenses.



Quality Healthcare and Social Protection

The European Health Insurance Card (EHIC) provides access to medical services throughout the EU. The social support system you join includes benefits, subsidies, and unemployment protection.



Protection of Deposits

Your assets receive reliable protection. The EU deposit guarantee system insures your savings in banks up to EUR 100,000, ensuring financial stability and security.



Citizenship for Children

Children of EU passport holders automatically acquire citizenship, inheriting all rights and social guarantees from birth.



Pensions from Multiple EU Countrie

Your work experience accumulated across different EU countries is aggregated. You receive pension payments from each state, increasing your overall income.



Favorable Conditions for Busines

Establish and develop your business in European jurisdictions with low taxes (from 1–9%) and enjoy all advantages of the single market of 450 million consumers.



Visa-Free Destinations with a Latvian Passport

A Latvian passport opens the borders of 172 countries without the need to obtain an entry visa in advance. Travel throughout the Schengen Area becomes exceptionally convenient due to the absence of border controls. With a Latvian passport, you will experience true freedom of movement.

Visa-Free Regime (Visa Free)

Visa Free —is the opportunity to visit a country without obtaining a visa for a specified period. Upon arrival, a passport stamp is simply placed in your passport.

117 Countries Available for Visa-Free Travel:

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| 1. Albania | 25. Cyprus | 50. Jamaica | 75. Palau | 99. Sweden |
| 2. Andorra | 26. Czech Republic | 51. Japan | 76. Palestinian Territories | 100. Switzerland |
| 3. Angola | 27. Denmark | 52. Kazakhstan | 77. Panama | 101. Taiwan |
| 4. Antigua and Barbuda | 28. Dominica | 53. Kosovo | 78. Paraguay | 102. Tajikistan |
| 5. Argentina | 29. Dominican Republic | 54. Kyrgyzstan | 79. Peru | 103. Thailand |
| 6. Armenia | 30. Ecuador | 55. Lesotho | 80. Philippines | 104. Timor-Leste |
| 7. Austria | 31. El Salvador | 56. Liechtenstein | 81. Poland | 105. Tonga |
| 8. Bahamas | 32. Estonia | 57. Lithuania | 82. Portugal | 106. Trinidad and Tobago |
| 9. Barbados | 33. Eswatini | 58. Luxembourg | 83. Romania | 107. Tunisia |
| 10. Belarus | 34. Fiji | 59. Macau | 84. Saint Lucia | 108. Tuvalu |
| 11. Belgium | 35. Finland | 60. Malaysia | 85. Samoa | 109. Turkey |
| 12. Belize | 36. France | 61. Malta | 86. San Marino | 110. Ukraine |
| 13. Bolivia | 37. Gambia | 62. Marshall Islands | 87. Sao Tome and Principe | 111. United Arab Emirates |
| 14. Bosnia and Herzegovina | 38. Georgia | 63. Mauritius | 88. Senegal | 112. Uruguay |
| 15. Botswana | 39. Germany | 64. Mexico | 89. Serbia | 113. Uzbekistan |
| 16. Brazil | 40. Greece | 65. Micronesia | 90. Singapore | 114. Vanuatu |
| 17. Brunei | 41. Grenada | 66. Moldova | 91. Slovakia | 115. Vatican City |
| 18. Bulgaria | 42. Guatemala | 67. Monaco | 92. Slovenia | 116. Venezuela |
| 19. Cape Verde | 43. Haiti | 68. Mongolia | 93. Solomon Islands | 117. Zambia |
| 20. Chile | 44. Honduras | 69. Montenegro | 94. South Africa | |
| 21. China | 45. Hong Kong | 70. Morocco | 95. South Korea | |
| 22. Colombia | 46. Hungary | 71. Netherlands | 96. Spain | |
| 23. Costa Rica | 47. Iceland | 72. Nicaragua | 97. Saint Vincent and the Grenadines | |
| 24. Croatia | 48. Ireland | 73. North Macedonia | 98. Suriname | |
| | 49. Italy | 74. Norway | | |

Visa on Arrival

Visa on Arrival — is an entry permit issued directly at the point of arrival (airport or seaport) upon payment of a fee.

46 Countries Available for Visa on Arrival:

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| 1. Australia | 10. Djibouti | 20. Jordan | 30. Nepal | 40. South Sudan |
| 2. Azerbaijan | 11. Egypt | 21. Kuwait | 31. Nigeria | 41. Sri Lanka |
| 3. Bahrain | 12. Equatorial Guinea | 22. Laos | 32. Oman | 42. Tanzania |
| 4. Bangladesh | 13. Ethiopia | 23. Lebanon | 33. Pakistan | 43. Togo |
| 5. Burundi | 14. Gabon | 24. Madagascar | 34. Papua New Guinea | 44. Uganda |
| 6. Cambodia | 15. Guinea | 25. Malawi | 35. Qatar | 45. Vietnam |
| 7. Comoros | 16. Guinea-Bissau | 26. Maldives | 36. Russian Federation | 46. Zimbabwe |
| 8. Democratic Republic
of the Congo | 17. India | 27. Mauritania | 37. Rwanda | |
| 9. Cuba | 18. Indonesia | 28. Mozambique | 38. Saudi Arabia | |
| | 19. Iran | 29. Namibia | 39. Sierra Leone | |

Electronic Travel Authorization (ETA)

ETA ([Electronic Travel Authorization](#)) — is a simplified electronic permit for visa-free entry obtained online before travel. It is linked to your passport.

9 Countries Accessible with an ETA:

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| 1. Canada | 5. New Zealand |
| 2. Côte d'Ivoire (Ivory
Coast) | 6. Saint Kitts and Nevis |
| 3. Israel | 7. Seychelles |
| 4. Kenya | 8. United Kingdom |
| | 9. United States of America |

Obtaining U.S. and Canadian Visas



For long-term residence, Latvian citizens require a visa for the United States and an eTA authorization for Canada.

The level of trust toward Latvian applicants is extremely high. According to the U.S. Department of State, the visa approval rate for Latvian citizens exceeded 90% in 2024, while for citizens of the Russian Federation and CIS countries the rate fluctuates between 50% and 70%.

A similar situation applies to Canadian visas, where Latvian citizens also enjoy advantages.

Two Programs – One Choice: Where It Is Easier to Obtain EU Citizenship

A comparison of repatriation programs in Latvia and Romania clearly demonstrates the most effective path to European Union citizenship.

Parameters	 Latvian Citizenship (through repatriation)	 Romanian Citizenship (through repatriation)
Who May Apply	Descendants of Latvian citizens deported or who fled after June 17, 1940	Descendants of former Romanian citizens (before 1940), regardless of ethnicity
Language Requirement	Mandatory (A2 level)	Not required
Residence in the Country	Not required	Not required
Knowledge Examination	Exam on language, Constitution, history, and culture	Minimal language knowledge (for oath-taking)
Processing Time	Depends on category (may be lengthy)	10–18 months
Application Cost	From EUR 15,000	From EUR 7,000
Renunciation of Citizenship	Required (with exceptions)	Not required



The Romanian repatriation program is one of the most accessible and attractive within the European Union. Unlike Latvia, where only ethnic Latvians are entitled to citizenship, the Romanian program is open to all descendants of Romanian citizens prior to 1940. The procedure does not require mandatory residence in the country, passing language examinations, or renunciation of existing citizenship. Citizenship acquisition takes from 12 months with minimal financial expenses.

Upon obtaining a Romanian passport, you automatically become an EU citizen with the right to reside, work, and study freely in any member state, including Latvia. Therefore, the Romanian program represents the most optimal and direct route to European citizenship.

It is characteristic that the overwhelming majority of our clients initially do not possess the required documents and are often unaware of their Romanian roots. At this stage, the immigration lawyers of Jurpass become involved. We conduct lawful searches and restoration of your family history by submitting official requests to state archives and relevant authorities in CIS countries and Romania in order to obtain documents confirming your right to Romanian citizenship.

Step-by-Step Procedure for Obtaining Latvian Citizenship

01 Free Consultation and Analysis of Your Case



Your path to a Latvian passport begins with a detailed consultation with a Jurpass lawyer. The specialist analyzes your situation, researches your ancestry for Latvian roots, evaluates your prospects, and develops a personalized strategy.

02 Preparation and Legalization of Documents



Jurpass lawyers prepare your dossier in strict compliance with Latvian legal requirements. We handle legalization, translation into Latvian, and notarization of all documents.

The final package includes:

- standard application form;
- valid international passport;
- certificate of no criminal record;
- birth certificates (yours and your ancestors');
- documents confirming Latvian origin;
- autobiography (CV) in Latvian;
- photographs;
- children's birth certificates and/or marriage certificate (if applicable);

**03 Submission
of Documents to OCMA**



The document package is submitted to the Office of Citizenship and Migration Affairs (OCMA) of Latvia or to a consulate. Jurpass lawyers ensure proper submission and assignment of a registration number for tracking your case.

**04 Monitoring the Procedure
and Interaction with
Authorities**



After submission of the application, Jurpass specialists continuously monitor the status of your case. In the event of delays or inquiries from authorities, our lawyers promptly submit official requests and provide additional documents.

**05 Passing Examinations
and Taking the Oat**



Jurpass specialists help you prepare for mandatory examinations in the Latvian language, history, and Constitution of Latvia, and accompany you during the oath-taking procedure.

**06 Obtaining the Passport
and Civil Documents**



Following approval of citizenship, Jurpass lawyers arrange the issuance of the full package of Latvian citizen documents, including the national identity card and EU citizen passport.

Client Stories: From Dream to Passport



Alexey Vasilyev, 36 years old

My dream of building a career in Europe had long been constrained by harsh immigration realities. Riga, with its developed IT infrastructure and proximity to home, seemed the ideal choice. However, the process of obtaining Latvian citizenship left me discouraged: years of waiting, the need to pass a difficult B1-level language examination, high financial costs, and dependence on an employer during the residence permit period.

I hardly believed in success, but during a consultation at Jurpass, I was offered an excellent alternative – the Romanian repatriation program. The lawyers conducted genealogical research and discovered that my grandmother had been born in Bessarabia, which entitled me to restoration of citizenship.

The process took just over a year, was fully transparent, and did not require relocation or renunciation of my Russian passport. I am now a Romanian citizen and travel freely throughout the EU. I also work in Riga for an international IT company. Thanks to my Romanian passport, I enjoy all rights, including freedom of employer choice and social guarantees.



Natalia Kovalchuk, 41 years old

I owned a successful confectionery workshop in Tula and considered Latvia as a gateway to the European market. However, obtaining a Latvian residence permit for entrepreneurs required significant investments, a detailed business plan in Latvian, and numerous administrative procedures.

Without stable legal EU status, serious business development was impossible. Jurpass specialists suggested analyzing my family history, and the result was unexpected: my grandfather had Romanian roots. Obtaining Romanian citizenship took 16 months and was incomparably simpler than the Latvian program – no language knowledge, residence, or complex examinations were required.

After becoming an EU citizen, I registered a company in Riga, organized supplies of unique Tula pastries to local restaurants, and continue actively expanding my business within the European market.



Dmitry Sysoev, 45 years old

My wife and I had long planned to relocate to Europe, with the main goal of providing our children with quality education and a secure future. Latvia attracted us because of the lack of a language barrier, convenient geography, and calm atmosphere. However, the process of obtaining Latvian citizenship seemed overly complex and lengthy.

At a family gathering, my sister mentioned that my great-grandfather had come from Bessarabia, which inspired us to contact Jurpass regarding the Romanian program.

The company's lawyers carried out meticulous archival work, restored lost documents, and supported us throughout the entire process. The procedure took approximately one and a half years, and today we already hold Romanian passports. We live in Jurmala, our children attend a Latvian gymnasium and are quickly learning the language. I continue working remotely for a Russian company while enjoying all rights of an EU citizen. Romanian citizenship gave us every opportunity for a comfortable life and a European future for our children.



Oleg Yarantsev, 50 years old

My story is proof that obtaining Latvian citizenship through repatriation is a true challenge requiring great patience, time, and financial resources. Despite having Latvian roots, the process took almost three years and demanded complete dedication. I not only had to learn Latvian, but master it to a fluent level in order to pass the comprehensive examination covering the Constitution, history, and national anthem.

Collecting documents proving kinship with my ancestors lasted for months due to the need to request archival certificates from various institutions. Several times the case was suspended because of bureaucratic delays and changing dossier requirements.

Without the professional assistance of Jurpass lawyers, who accompanied every stage, corrected mistakes, and handled all communication with OCMA, I would likely have abandoned the process. It was a difficult journey, but the result was worth it: today I am a full-fledged citizen of Latvia and the European Union, which has provided me not only with legal stability but also with a sense of connection to my ancestors' historical homeland.

Jurpass – Your Reliable Partner in Citizenship Acquisition



Individual Strategy for Every Client

We develop a personalized plan that takes into account your unique circumstances, timelines, and budget.



Comprehensive Turnkey Support

We handle every stage of the immigration process – from archival document searches to obtaining your EU passport.



Deep Expertise in Immigration Law

Our lawyers specialize in EU legislation, guaranteeing 100% legality and compliance of all procedures with legal standards.



Absolute Transparency and Confidentiality

The company ensures complete transparency throughout the process: you will always be informed about the progress of your case and can be fully confident in the protection of your personal data.



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unlimited opportunities and life
in any European country

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