Lithuania's Investment Highway: Europe's fastest lane to growth

Investment Highway

Revolutionizing European investment with the continent's boldest support framework. Pre-construction timelines cut by up to 90%. Projects launched in months, not years.

- Speed, clarity, and predictability for investors
- Faster decision-making from authorities
- From landing to ground breaking in as little as 3 months
- Dedicated land plots

Accelerated pre-construction phase (territorial planning & construction permitting)

Large-scale projects	Projects in Free Economic Zones	Defence projects in non-urbanized areas	Defence projects in urbanized areas
Up to 2x faster	More than 2x faster	12x faster	Up to 3.5x faster
36 months » 19 months	24* months » 9 months	36 months » 3 months	36 months » ~10 months

*FEZ baseline is shorter because FEZ territories have completed territorial planning processes

Who is eligible

- Large-scale investment projects
- Smaller-scale defence projects**
- Companies establishing within Free Economic Zones

Priority sectors

- Cleantech
- Data Centers
- Defence
- Semiconductors
- Life Sciences
- Other strategic sectors

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Conditions for large-scale projects

Additional benefits

- 0% corporate tax for 20 years
- Recognition as a Project of State Importance
- Dedicated case manager to ensure successful implementation
- and more

Applicant qualifications

- Financial and economic capacity to implement and sustain the project
- Relevant experience in the industry (minimum 5 years for manufacturing or 3 years for services) as well as technical expertise and human resources required for project implementation
- Good financial standing (not an undertaking in difficulty as defined by EU regulations)
- No relocation of existing operations within the European Economic Area
- Submission of application prior to commencing project work

Project eligibility criteria

Applicable to all strategic industries

- CapEx investment of **≥ €20M***
- Creating **≥ 150 FTEs***
- Employee retention for **≥ 5 years**

or

Applicable to manufacturing projects only

- CapEx investment of **≥ €20M****
- Creating **20-149 FTEs****
- Employee retention for **≥ 5 years**

Salary requirements

Under 20 FTEs
At least 1.25 times the municipal average salary

Over 20 FTEs
At least equal to the municipal average salary

* In Vilnius: Investment ≥ €30 M CAPEX and employ ≥200 FTE

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Conditions for FEZ-based projects

- Companies must engage in business activities permitted within the specific FEZ
- The FEZ management company evaluates applications and grants operating permits



Conditions for smaller defence projects

Project eligibility criteria***

- CapEx investment of **≥ €1,448,100**
- Creating **≥ 20 FTEs**
- Employee retention for **≥ 3 years**
- The salary must be at least the municipal average salary



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