

# Application Categories for Entrepreneur Visas

## (individual Sample document)

Applicant is an individual

Initial application

Applicant acts as representative of a group (Note 3)

Extension

Full Name	Gender	Nationality	Educational level (Notes 1 and 2)	Email address (Telephone/Fax)	Application category (Note 5)
Stephen Curry	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female		<input type="checkbox"/> Senior high school <input type="checkbox"/> Junior college <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> University or above	<a href="mailto:StephenCurry@Gmail.com">StephenCurry@Gmail.com</a> 02-33435700	1.2
	<input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female		<input type="checkbox"/> Senior high school <input type="checkbox"/> Junior college <input type="checkbox"/> University or above		
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### Notes

1. A foreign national applying for an Entrepreneur Visa must have completed senior high school level or the equivalent thereof.
2. If you apply for an extension, you do not need to fill in the column on educational level.
3. A group may not exceed three members, and all members shall conform to the same application category. If the members are eligible for different application categories, a letter of intent (LOI) must be submitted.
4. For other documents that need to be submitted for an Entrepreneur Visa application, please refer to the Appendix of the Examination Directions of Entrepreneur Visa Qualification for Foreign Nationals.
5. Please select one or more categories listed below by filling in the corresponding number(s).

### Initial application categories

- 1.1 The applicant has secured investment from a domestic or overseas venture capital company, or obtained funding of at least NT\$2 million from a government-approved international fundraising platform.
- 1.2 The applicant has received approval to operate at a government-designated innovation park, or in an incubator facility that is either directly run by the Ministry of Economic Affairs (MOEA), operated in collaboration with the MOEA, or has been rated by the MOEA as a first-class incubator facility within the past three years.
- 1.3 The applicant has been awarded a patent either in Taiwan or overseas, or can demonstrate other evidence of professional expertise.
- 1.4 The applicant has won an award in a leading domestic or overseas business startup or design competition, or has received approval to participate in a government project to encourage overseas entrepreneurs to invest in Taiwan.

- 1.5** The applicant has been, or is currently, located in a startup accelerator facility approved by the central competent authority.
- 1.6** The applicant has ever been shortlisted or awarded in significant domestic or foreign film festivals.
- 1.7** The applicant has ever been granted above NT3 million subvention for startup or related project by central government, or has ever been granted above NT1 million subvention for startup or related project by local government.
- 1.8** The applicant possesses such other innovation capability as may be specified or recommended by the central competent authority.
- 1.9.1** The applicant has established an enterprise that has been lawfully registered in Taiwan for less than five years, served as its legal representative, and invested a total of at least NT\$1 million in it. In addition, the enterprise has obtained funding of at least NT\$2 million from a domestic or overseas venture capital company, or from international fund raising platform approved by government.
- 1.9.2** The applicant has established an enterprise that has been lawfully registered in Taiwan for less than five years, served as its legal representative, and invested a total of at least NT\$1 million in it. In addition, the enterprise has been listed on the Go Incubation Board for Startup and Acceleration Firms (GISA) of the Taipei Exchange (TPEX).
- 1.9.3** The applicant has established an enterprise that has been lawfully registered in Taiwan for less than five years, served as its legal representative, and invested a total of at least NT\$1 million in it. In addition, the enterprise has either been awarded an invention or design patent in Taiwan or been the recipient of patent rights transferred or licensed by a Taiwanese invention patentee, as registered with the Intellectual Property Office of the MOEA.
- 1.9.4** The applicant has established an enterprise that has been lawfully registered in Taiwan for less than five years, served as its legal representative, and invested a total of at least NT\$1 million in it. In addition, the enterprise has operated at an innovation park designated by central or local government, or an incubator facility that is either directly run by central or local government, operated in collaboration with central or local government, or has been rated by the MOEA as a first-class incubator facility within the past three years.
- 1.9.5** The applicant has established an enterprise that has been lawfully registered in Taiwan for less than five years, served as its legal representative, and invested a total of at least NT\$1 million in it. In addition, the enterprise or its legal representative has won an award in a leading domestic or overseas business startup or design competition.
- 1.9.6** The applicant has established an enterprise that has been lawfully registered in Taiwan for less than five years, served as its legal representative, and invested a total of at least NT\$1 million in it. In addition, the enterprise has been, or is currently, located in a startup accelerator facility approved by the central competent authority.
- 1.9.7** The applicant has established an enterprise that has been lawfully registered in Taiwan for less than five years, served as its legal representative, and invested a total of at least NT\$1 million

in it. In addition, the enterprise or its legal representative has ever been shortlisted or awarded in significant domestic or foreign film festivals.

- 1.9.8** The applicant has established an enterprise that has been lawfully registered in Taiwan for less than five years, served as its legal representative, and invested a total of at least NT\$1 million in it. In addition, the enterprise has ever been granted above NT\$3 million subvention for startup or related project by central government, or has ever been granted above NT\$1 million subvention for startup or anything relates to startup by local government.
- 1.9.9** The applicant has established an enterprise that has been lawfully registered in Taiwan for less than five years, served as its legal representative, and invested a total of at least NT\$1 million in it. In addition, the enterprise conforms to such other requirements as may be specified by the central competent authority.
- 2.1** The applicant group has not yet established an enterprise in Taiwan, but has secured investment from a domestic or overseas venture capital company, or obtained funding of at least NT\$2 million from a government-designated international fundraising platform.
- 2.2** The applicant group has not yet established an enterprise in Taiwan, but has received approval to operate at a government-designated innovation park or at an incubator facility that is either directly run by central or local government, operated in collaboration with central or local government, or has been rated by the MOEA as a first-class incubator facility within the past three years.
- 2.3** The applicant group has not yet established an enterprise in Taiwan, but has been awarded patents either in Taiwan or overseas, or can demonstrate other evidence of professional expertise.
- 2.4** The applicant group has not yet established an enterprise in Taiwan, but has won an award in a leading domestic or overseas business startup or design competition, or has received approval to participate in a government project to encourage overseas entrepreneurs to invest in Taiwan.
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- 2.8** The applicant group has not yet established an enterprise in Taiwan, but possesses such other innovation capability as may be specified or recommended by the central competent authority.
- 3.1** The applicant group has established an enterprise that has been lawfully registered in Taiwan for less than five years. Members of the group have served as legal representatives, managers, or superiors at the enterprise, and invested a total of at least NT\$1 million in it. In addition, the enterprise has obtained funding of at least NT\$2 million from a domestic or overseas venture capital company, or obtained funding of at least NT\$2 million from a government-designated

international fundraising platform.

- 3.2** The applicant group has established an enterprise that has been lawfully registered in Taiwan for less than five years. Members of the group have served as legal representatives, managers, or superiors at the enterprise, and invested a total of at least NT\$1 million in it. In addition, the enterprise has been listed on the Go Incubation Board for Startup and Acceleration Firms (GISA) of the Taipei Exchange (TPEX).
- 3.3** The applicant group has established an enterprise that has been lawfully registered in Taiwan for less than five years. Members of the group have served as legal representatives, managers, or superiors at the enterprise, and invested a total of at least NT\$1 million in it. In addition, the enterprise has either been awarded an invention or design patent in Taiwan or been the recipient of patent rights transferred or licensed by a Taiwanese invention patentee, as registered with the Intellectual Property Office of the MOEA.
- 3.4** The applicant group has established an enterprise that has been lawfully registered in Taiwan for less than five years. Members of the group have served as legal representatives, managers, or superiors at the enterprise, and invested a total of at least NT\$1 million in it. In addition, the enterprise has operated at an innovation park designated by central or local government or an incubator facility that is either directly run by central or local government, operated in collaboration with central or local government, or has been rated by the MOEA as a first-class incubator facility within the past three years.
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- 3.9** The applicant group has established an enterprise that has been lawfully registered in Taiwan for less than five years. Members of the group have served as legal representatives, managers, or superiors at the enterprise, and invested a total of at least NT\$1 million in it. In addition, the enterprise conforms to such other requirements as may be specified by the central competent authority.

**Extension categories**

- 4.1** The revenue of the enterprise of the applicant (group) for the most recent year, or the average annual revenue for the most recent three years, is at least NT\$3 million.
- 4.2** The operating costs of the enterprise of the applicant (group) for the most recent year, or the average annual operating costs for the most recent three years, is at least NT\$1 million.
- 4.3** The enterprise of the applicant (group) employs at least three ROC nationals in full-time positions.
- 4.4** The enterprise of the applicant (group) can demonstrate some other category of operational performance that leads the competent authority to determine that the enterprise is making a positive contribution to Taiwan's economic development.