



## New IMC Membership Structure

### Rationale

The new membership structure within the IMC is a commitment to further professionalising the association and by consequence enhancing the respectability of the Investment Migration industry as well as standardising it through a formally recognised portfolio of Education and Training courses.

There are five membership tiers for individuals:

1. Student
2. Academic
3. Associate
4. Professional
5. Fellow

There are two membership tiers for companies:

1. Corporate
2. Corporate PLUS

## Two Routes to Membership

There are two pathways through IMC membership: the education route or the experience practitioners route. It is planned that eventually the experience route will be phased out, and the membership journey will only be possible through the education route (except for Fellows).

### 1. Membership by Education

The journey through membership with the education route is the recommended one since this strengthens the skills and knowledge of members and by consequence the wider industry.

The first step is the Certificate in Investment Migration which is an on-line course with an MCQ test at the end. This leads to Associate membership of the IMC. On completion, graduate non-members of the IMC are encouraged to join the IMC based on their educational achievement. They will be recognised in the industry by the course designation and membership tier they belong to.



## Education Route

Membership Tier	Requirements	Designation
<b>Student</b>	An individual who is studying for any IMCET course is not considered an IMC member unless they join as student members.	---
<b>Academic</b>	An individual whose full-time activity is dedicated to teaching or research within the investment migration industry or related field.	IMCM
<b>Associate</b>	An individual who has successfully completed the IMC Certification in Investment Migration course.	Cert (IM), IMCM
<b>Professional</b>	An individual who has successfully completed the IMC Diploma (coming soon) in Investment Migration course.	Dip (IM), IMCM
<b>Fellow</b>	The highest level of membership. An individual who has completed the IMC Post Graduate Diploma (coming soon) in Investment Migration course and has been a member of the IMC for 2 consecutive years.	PG. Dip (IM), FIMC

## The Training Courses

Course Title	Duration	Cost (€)	Certification	Membership tier on completion	Membership Designation
<b>Certification in Investment Migration</b> - 5x modules offering a practical introduction into the IM industry. - Online learning with an MCQ exam.	6 months max	900	Cert (IM) (Level 3)	Associate	Cert (IM); IMCM
<b>Diploma in Investment Migration</b>	Coming soon				
<b>Post Graduate Diploma in Investment Migration</b>	Coming soon				



## 2. Membership by Experience

To follow suit with other professional bodies, Membership by Experience is offered to those practitioners who meet the necessary criteria in any membership tier to be members of the IMC.

### Experience Route

Membership Tier	Requirements	Designation
<b>Student</b>	An individual who is in current full-time education.	----
<b>Academic</b>	An individual whose full-time activity is dedicated to teaching or research within the investment migration industry or related field.	IMCM
<b>Associate</b>	An individual who has less than 5 years of work experience within the field of investment migration.	IMCM
<b>Professional</b>	An individual who has more than 5 years of work experience within the field of investment migration.	IMCM
<b>Fellow</b>	The highest level of membership. An individual who has been a professional member of the IMC for 5 consecutive years and has 10+ years of working experience with 3 years at senior level.	FIMC