



Self-employed/freelancer Visa

Freelancers such as artists (painters, musicians or writers) or in other liberal professions may apply for a residence permit for freelance work. This visa category requires you to have the means or the income to fund your project and to support yourself.

For more information please check:

<https://www.make-it-in-germany.com/en/visa-residence/types/self-employment>

General Information

- The application can be submitted at the earliest 6 months before the planned entry.
- The processing time can take up to several months.
- Documents that are not issued in German or English must be submitted together with a translation.
- The Consulate General reserves the right to request further documentation.

Checklist

Please submit the documents listed below in according order in original and one copy each.

Originals will be returned after examination.

Copies will not be made by Consulate General staff. Please do not staple the documents.

- Fully completed and signed [visa application form](#) (no copy required)
- [Declaration of genuineness of submitted documents](#) (no copy required)
- Passport, which is valid for at least six months, which was issued in the last ten years and with at least two free pages (copy of photo page and pages with visas, stamps, etc. required)
- Proof of residency in Hong Kong
 - Hong Kong stay permit and a Hong Kong Identity Card or
 - Hong Kong Permanent Identity Card (only applicable for non Hong Kong passport holders)
- Two passport photos according to [biometric specifications](#) (not older than 3 months)
- Curriculum vitae
- Detailed business plan outlining the following:
 - Business concept
 - Financing and investment plan
 - Capital requirement plan
 - Revenue forecast for the first three years
 - Market and competitive analysis
 - Marketing strategy
 - If applicable:
 - expected number of employees and trainees
 - explanation of the extent to which the areas of innovation and research will be positively influenced by the project

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<input type="checkbox"/> Qualification, e.g. <ul style="list-style-type: none">- University degree- Training certificate- Experience certificates- Reference letters
<input type="checkbox"/> Financial proof: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Bank statements of the last three months
<input type="checkbox"/> Proof of travel health insurance stating <ul style="list-style-type: none">- name of the applicant- coverage of at least 30.000 EUR for medical expenses and repatriation- valid for the entire Schengen area- valid for at least three months after the date of departure
<input type="checkbox"/> Proof of adequate old age pension provisions if you are older than 45 years of age
<input type="checkbox"/> Visa application fee 75 EUR, in cash in HKD. The exact amount in HKD depends on the exchange rate.