

# Brazil

New visa and residence permit for nationals of Community of Portuguese Language Countries

#### **Executive summary**

Effective 2 October 2023, Brazil will begin issuing new visas and residence permits specifically for nationals of Member states of the Community of Portuguese Language Countries ("CPLP nationals").

## Key developments

CPLP Residence Visas will be available to highly qualified technicians, businesspeople and researchers, among others, from CPLP Member States and remain valid for one year. Applications for these visas will be accepted exclusively at Brazilian embassies and consulates in Angola, Cape Verde, East Timor, Equatorial Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Mozambique, São Tomé and Príncipe, and Portugal. Upon arrival in Brazil using a CPLP Residence Visa, the visa holder will be required to register with the Federal Police within 90 days of arrival.

CPLP nationals who are present in Brazil as of 2 October 2023 will be eligible to apply directly with the Federal Police for a CPLP Residence Permit, which will be valid for two years. After residing in Brazil for two years, they may apply to extend their permit indefinitely.

## Impact on employers

The introduction of CPLP Residence Visas and Permits is in line with the focus areas discussed by the Brazilian government before the approval of the 2017 Migration Law and is expected to enhance employers' access to international talent.

## Key steps

EY will continue to monitor these developments. Should you have any questions, we encourage you to contact one of our immigration professionals.



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