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GETTING A LICENSE or REGISTRATION FOR YOUR CRYPTO-RELATED BUSINESS

Does your company want to operate as a crypto exchange platform? Or are you a custodial wallet provider? If you're in the crypto sector and plan to operate a business dealing with the foregoing, it's essential to understand how the licensing and authorisation processes work across the world.

What is the current approach to crypto service providers in various jurisdictions?

While the cryptocurrency industry is booming all around the world, there are 3 approaches adopted by jurisdictions while dealing with crypto businesses:

- Crypto activities are only subject to registration (trade registry or other basic registrations) in certain jurisdictions such as Lithuania, Czech Republic, Poland, United Kingdom, Cayman Islands; whereas
- Crypto businesses must obtain a license in some jurisdictions including Estonia, Netherlands, Germany, Cyprus, Malta, ADGM, DMCC; lastly
- Crypto activities are not regulated in certain other jurisdictions either because (i) they do not recognize crypto assets as assets, foreign currencies and/or legal means of payments (Vietnam), or (ii) the regulators have not yet implemented regulations governing this matter (Brazil, Turkey)

There are currently no passporting rights available for businesses that hold crypto licenses/authorisations in the EU. However, it is likely for businesses that obtain licenses to use their licenses/authorisations to carry out activities in the EU Member States that have do not have regulatory frameworks for cryptocurrencies or have less stringent rules regarding this matter.

How can Guardian help you in obtaining authorisation?

Guardian Professional has intrinsic knowledge on licensing/authorisation processes and together with our expert team, local partners, and global professional network, we have helped many clients get their crypto licenses/registrations in more than 15 jurisdictions.

Offering comprehensive support at all the necessary stages in the launching of your crypto business, we offer the best alternative for businesses. Our team can provide the following services to provide obtain a cryptocurrency license or register your company's crypto services:

- Preliminary review and analysis of the business model, consultation; Full support in incorporating a company (ready-made companies are available); ongoing corporate services for the maintenance of your company;
- Assistance in finding a suitable office to be used for legal address;
- Assistance with preparation of application documents, including application forms, AML/CFT/FS policies and procedures, risk assessments, training plans;
- Open an operative bank account;
- Payment of all state and notary duties;
- Legal and accounting consultation;
- Communication with regulators to ensure smooth authorisation process;
- HR services for staff hiring, including for vital roles such as MLRO;
- Fulfilment of ongoing reporting, notification, and disclosure requirements.

Too much of a hassle for you?

Contact us for ready-made companies and already licensed/registered Crypto Businesses for sale.

GETTING A GAMING LICENSE FOR YOUR BUSINESS

We, as Guardian, provide selective gaming licence consultancy services for our clients in various jurisdictions at competitive fees! From incorporation of the company, drafting the business plan, internal documents to building out the team and of course application to gaming license we cover all aspects of the gaming start-up process.

What does a gaming license mean?

An online Gaming license allows an establishment or business to offer games that can be played for and with money. Gaming licenses are assets and confirm that the license holder is approved and constantly monitored by the gaming commissions. License is a must for any establishment looking for a proper business setup, operations, payments, and a solid reputation.

What is the general gaming license procedure?

Gaming is a very restricted area to run a business particularly due to anti-money laundering matters and moral sensibilities reasons. Therefore, it is closely monitored and strictly regulated in most jurisdictions. Almost every jurisdiction has its gaming commission which ensures that applicants and license holders comply with the codes of practice.

The licensing process follows with the selection of the type of license, incorporation of a company, preparation of the application documents (personal details, proof of funding, business plan, bank statements, customer T&Cs, policies, procedures etc.), payment of mandatory license fees and finally, issuance of the license.

Which jurisdictions are popular for online gaming licenses?

Despite the surging restrictions, Curacao is still a solid option to obtain an online gaming license, especially for start-ups. This jurisdiction has several advantages such as easy and fast application process as well as 0% tax rates. However, it is not considered as prestigious of a license as licenses obtained in Malta. Malta, as an EU jurisdiction, is considered highly reputable amongst others. Gibraltar and Isle of Man are also known as good alternatives for gaming licenses while the other restricted jurisdiction such as Netherlands and United Kingdom also have a good reputation as a result of their market volume.

How can Guardian help you in obtaining a license?

Regardless of the jurisdiction, you are interested in, Guardian provides utmost effort to assist its clients for the entire licensing process. These includes:

- Incorporating a company;
- Preliminary review and analysis of the business model;
- Legal and accounting consultation;
- Drafting policies & completing the procedures;
- Completing questionnaires and forms to be provided to authority;
- Communicating with local authorities regarding the application;
- HR services for staff hiring.

Too much of a hassle for you?

Contact us for ready-made companies and already licensed Gaming Companies for sale.