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## EU Blue Card entry visa for qualified professionals

Qualified professionals with a recognized foreign academic degree (or a German university degree) and a concrete job offer with an annual salary of € 48,300.00 or more can apply for an <u>EU Blue Card</u> - entry visa. The EU Blue Card itself is issued exclusively by the relevant alien's authority in Germany. Please note that for employees in the fields of mathematics, IT, natural sciences, engineering and human medicine an annual salary of only € 43,759.80 is required.

For your degree you must present a <u>Statement of Comparability issued by the Central Office for Foreign Education (Zentralstelle für ausländisches Bildungswesen – ZAB).</u>

You are required to present a valid passport (min. validity 6 months).

The following documents must be presented to the Embassy during your appointment. Make sure to handover only complete applications.

## Submitted

Filled in application form (national visa) + declaration form (Section 54 (2)
8 in conjunction with Section 53 of the Residence Act)
2 biometric passport photos (not older than 6 months)
Valid passport with at least two free pages, plus two copies of the biodata
page of the passport
Motivation letter + CV
O/L & A/L examination certificates
Academic degree + other experience certificates for future employment in
Germany



Statement of Comparability issued by the Central Office for Foreign
Education (Zentralstelle für ausländisches Bildungswesen – ZAB)
Applicants applying in the field of IT: proof of 3 years of relevant work
experience, obtained within the past 5 years
"Erklärung zum Beschäftigungsverhältnis" filled in and signed by your
employer
Signed Employment contract
Proof of health insurance in Germany

Please prepare two identical application sets with the above-mentioned documents copied and bring all your original certificates along. Moreover, every set has to be sorted already in the correct order as showed above!

Fee: EUR 75 (to be paid in Rs., by credit card or cash) – no refund in case of rejection! Conversion into Rs. is made based on the exchange rate at the time of application.

The processing will take at least several weeks.

During that time no status inquiries are answered. Please refrain from contacting us during the procedure of your application.

## Note further:

False or falsified documents will lead to the refusal of the visa and / or further consequences.

Incomplete applications may result in refusal. Complete documentation does not guarantee a visa approval.

The German Embassy Colombo reserves the right to ask for additional documents and / or call applicant for additional information or interview.