

Migration Advisory Committee – Call for evidence on the Global Talent and Innovator Founder routes

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The Migration Advisory Committee (MAC) is reviewing how best the immigration system could be used to attract international global talent to the UK. More details about what we are doing can be found [here](#). We are launching a call for evidence on the [Global Talent](#) and [Innovator Founder](#) visa routes. As part of your response, you will be asked whether or not you would be happy to take part in further engagement (for example interviews, roundtable discussions) about the routes. We will be running several engagement sessions later in the year and will be contacting a selection of respondents to participate in these. However, if you do not want to be contacted for this purpose then we are still interested in hearing from you, so please do still complete the form.

Please use the online form [Complete the call for evidence](#) to respond initially. In your response, please focus on the Global Talent and Innovator Founder visa routes, as we are not seeking detailed feedback on other aspects of the immigration system (such as the Skilled Worker route) at this time. **This call for evidence will be open until 1st May 2026.**

No identifying information will be published as part of our report or shared with the Home Office, however, aggregated and anonymised information in the form of summary themes and statistics will be published as part of our final report. We may also use selected quotes from the responses submitted, but these will not contain any information that would enable you to be identified. The MAC is independent from the Home Office and we will consider your information in line with our [privacy notice](#). We respect your personal privacy and only share information when necessary to meet the statutory requirements of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, or where the information indicates that an individual is at imminent risk of harm.

1. Are you responding as...

- An employer
- A representative or sectoral organisation (including endorsing bodies)
- An immigration lawyer
- An individual in the UK on a Global Talent visa
- An individual in the UK on an Innovator Founder visa
- An individual in the UK on another type of visa
- Other (please specify)

2. (If employer, representative/sectoral organisation, immigration lawyer, individual Innovator Founder, Other): Please write in your company/organisation name (if applicable).
3. Email address
4. Is there anything that you would like to tell us about the Global Talent visa route? For example, your experience of using it/employing people who use it, the impact you think it has on the UK, or whether you think it targets the right people (OPEN – max 300 words)
5. Is there anything that you would like to tell us about the Innovator Founder visa route? For example, your experience of using it, the impact you think it has on the UK, or whether you think it targets the right people (OPEN – max 300 words)
6. (If employer or individual Innovator Founder) Approximately how many people does your organisation/business employ in the UK? (Select one option)
 - 0-9 employees
 - 10-49 employees
 - 50-249 employees
 - 250-499 employees
 - 500+ employees
 - Not applicable
7. (If employer, individual Innovator Founder): Do you employ anyone who is in the UK on a Global Talent visa?
 - Yes
 - No
 - Don't know
8. In which region/country of the UK are you located? For individuals, this should be the region you live in, and for organisations, this should be the region where the largest proportion of your employees is located (Select one option)
 - North East
 - North West
 - Yorkshire and the Humber
 - East Midlands
 - West Midlands
 - East of England
 - London
 - South East
 - South West

- Scotland
- Wales
- Northern Ireland
- UK wide
- Other (please write in)

9. (If not an immigration lawyer or individual Innovator Founder) Do you work for a university?

- Yes
- No

10. (If not an immigration lawyer) What kind of work do you/does the company you work for do? (select as many as apply)

- Arts and culture
- Architecture
- Fashion design
- Film, cinema and television
- Digital technology (for example AI, cybersecurity, data science and systems/software engineers and similar roles)
- Science
- Engineering
- Humanities
- Social science
- Medicine
- Other (please write in)
- Not currently working

Thank you for responding.

11. Are you happy for us to quote from your response?

- Yes, anonymously
- Yes, and to name my company/organisation
- No

12. We would like to contact some of the people and organisations who have responded to these questions to ask them more about their views. Please let us know whether or not you are happy for us to contact you.

- Yes, I am happy to be contacted
- No, please do not contact me

13. Are you happy for us to recontact you if we need to clarify anything in your response?

- Yes, I am happy to be contacted
- No, please do not contact me