

Guernsey Private Investment Funds

Overview

The Guernsey Private Investment Fund (PIF) is a regulated investment fund regime designed for sophisticated investors, private capital managers and family offices seeking an efficient, flexible and internationally recognised fund structure.

Combining a proportionate regulatory framework with a streamlined authorisation process, the PIF is particularly well suited to alternative asset classes such as private equity, venture capital, private credit, infrastructure, real estate and co-investment strategies.

Key Features

- Flexible structuring options including limited partnerships, companies, PCCs, ICCs, LLCs and unit trusts.
- Available as either a Qualifying Private Investment Fund (QPIF) or Family Private Investment Fund.
- Broad range of qualifying investor categories including:
 - Professional investors
 - Experienced investors
 - Knowledgeable employees
 - High-net-worth investors
 - UK professional clients
 - EU professional clients
 - US accredited investors
 - Licensee-admitted investors
- No limit on the number of investors
- No requirement to prepare a prospectus or Private Placement Memorandum
- No requirement to appoint a Guernsey licensed manager

- No mandatory audit requirement
- Available for both open-ended and closed-ended structures
- Regulatory approval within one business day

The Role of the Designated Administrator

A Guernsey licensed designated administrator sits at the heart of the PIF framework and serves as the fund's primary regulatory interface. The administrator supports the establishment, operation and ongoing governance of the fund, helping ensure compliance with applicable regulatory requirements while delivering operational efficiency throughout the fund lifecycle.

The administrator is responsible for conducting due diligence on the promoter of the PIF and provides warranties to the Guernsey Financial Services Commission that the promoter is fit and proper.

Where IQ-EQ can help

IQ-EQ acts as designated administrator and provides end-to-end support across the lifecycle of a Guernsey PIF, including fund establishment, investor onboarding, fund accounting, investor reporting, corporate governance, director services, regulatory reporting and ongoing compliance.

Working closely with fund managers, family offices and institutional investors, IQ-EQ helps deliver an efficient, scalable and well-governed operating model through all stages of the fund lifecycle.

Key contact

To discuss any aspect of the Guernsey Private Investment Fund regime and how it could support your investment strategy, please contact Andrew Elder.



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Key facts and figures

People	Jurisdictions	Assets under administration	Minimum senior team experience	Funds under administration
6500⁺	25	\$950bn⁺	20_{yrs}	2500⁺

Our locations worldwide

APAC

Australia
Hong Kong
India
Japan
Mainland China
New Zealand
The Philippines
Singapore

AMERICAS

Cayman Islands
Curaçao
United States

EMEA

Belgium
Cyprus
France
Guernsey
Ireland
Isle of Man
Italy
Jersey
Luxembourg
Mauritius
The Netherlands
South Africa
Switzerland
The Middle East
United Kingdom



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