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General information European Financial advisors

Based on European law, directive 2005/36/EC, incl. 2013/55/EU, qualified financial advisors from another member state of the European Union (EU), the European Economic Area (EEA) and Switzerland have several options to work as a financial advisor in the Netherlands.

1. Financial advisor based on EU recognition of professional qualifications

A competent financial advisor from one of the EU member states, the EEA or Switzerland may, possibly after successfully completing the [application procedure](#) and/ or after a required aptitude test, work as a Dutch financial advisor in the Netherlands. This follows from the directive on the recognition of professional qualifications (directive 2005/36/EC, incl. 2013/55/EU), that is implemented in the Netherlands under Section 4:9(2), of the Act on Financial Supervision (in Dutch: Wet op het Financieel toezicht), Decree on the Supervision of the Conduct of Financial Enterprises (in Dutch: Besluit Gedragstoezicht financiële ondernemingen), Section 6 (3, under 1), the Act on the General Recognition of EU Professional Qualifications and the Regulation on Recognition of EU Professional Qualifications for financial advisor. All digital state exams and aptitude tests shall be conducted in the Dutch language.

The application must be fully completed, signed by the applicant, and accompanied by all prescribed and relevant appendices. It must be sent by regular post or email to CDFD.

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For more information and the provision of (request) forms related to item 1, mentioned here above, you can contact CDFD (tel. +31 70 376 58 60 / email: info@cdfd.nl).

2. Graduates from outside the EU

Diplomas and certificates issued by institutes outside the EU Member States, EEA and Switzerland are not recognised. A person who has successfully completed a study program in the field of financial advisors outside the EU Member States, EEA and Switzerland, still has to complete the state exams before you can practise the profession of financial advisor. All digital state exams shall be conducted in the Dutch language. We advise you to contact [accredited examination institutes](#) about this beforehand.



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