



Global Immigration alert

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Denmark

Denmark extends the Special Act on displaced persons from Ukraine until 17 March 2026

Executive summary

On 25 November 2024, the Danish parliament adopted a [proposal](#) to extend the Special Act on displaced persons from Ukraine ("Special Act") until 17 March 2026.

Background

Under the Special Act, eligible individuals (i.e., Ukrainian citizens, individuals recognized as refugees in Ukraine, close family members of a person in Denmark who has been granted a residence permit under the Special Act or a displaced person from Ukraine staying on the Faroe Islands) who arrived in Denmark in the aftermath of the 2022 armed conflict in Ukraine receive various rights and benefits, including work authorization and coverage under public health insurance.

Key developments

Denmark's decision to extend the Special Act from March 2025 to March 2026 is in line with the European Commission's [decision](#) to extend the Temporary Protection Directive (TPD) for the protection of individuals fleeing the armed conflict in Ukraine. Individuals who hold Danish temporary residence permits pursuant to the Special Act are now eligible for an extension of their permits until 17 March 2026. The authorities are expected to automatically extend residence permits that have been granted pursuant to the Special Act and will release further details in the upcoming weeks.

Impact on employers

Impacted individuals will be eligible to continue working in Denmark without a break until 17 March 2026, which may help employers avoid business disruptions.

Key steps

EY will continue to monitor these developments. Should you have any questions, we encourage you to contact one of our immigration professionals.

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