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## SCHEDULE



### Tuesday, May 20, 2025

8:00am Registration

8:55am Welcome address

9:00am - 9:45am Panel 1: Navigating Global Mobility in the Trump Era:

How to select the best citizenship or residency program for

your lifestyle and wealth strategy.

Moderator: Lily Guo

**Speakers:** Francisco Lourenco - Desmond Ang - Emily Zhu

9:45am - 10:35am Project presentations: Manhattan Regional Center -

ARCFE - Peachtree Group - HomeFed

10:35am - 10:55am Networking Break

11:00am - 11:45am Panel 2: Invest Smarter:

How to choose the right EB-5 or global project and

protect your immigration future.

Moderator: Adam Greene

Speakers: Chris Foulger - Winnie Ng - Stephanie Fang -

Lily Zheng

11:45am - 12:35pm Project presentations: U.S Immigration Fund - Crystal

Windows - Zen EB5 - CipleMaster - TC District Enterprises

12:40pm - 1:40pm	Lunch
1:40pm - 2:25pm	Panel 3: VIP PANEL - On the Ground Intel:  Market trends and investment immigration strategies from top migration agents.  Moderator: Ali Jahangiri  Speakers: Mark Lin - Jordan Chen - John Lin - Jean Lu
2:30pm - 2:50pm	Project presentations: MSR Communities - CIVITAS Capita
2:50pm - 3:05pm	Networking Break
3:05pm - 3:50pm	Certification workshop for agents: PREPARING 526 PETITIONS: What you need to know about Source of Funds documentation for successful EB-5 petitions. Moderator: Joseph Barnett Speakers: Brandon Meyer - Andres Echevarria- Samuel Newbold - Marjan Kasra
3:50pm - 4:00pm	Networking
4:00pm	Certification ceremony for agents.

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## JORDAN CHEN Metropolitan Immigration Consulting Group

Founder and chairman of Metropolitan Immigration Consulting Group, Jordan Chen entered the field of international immigration in 1995, and established the Metropolitan brand in 2005. Metropolitan has set up five offices in Taiwan's main cities and one office in Hong Kong. In addition to its immigration business that encompasses outbound, inbound and citizenship matters, the company's services also include international education and international real estate businesses. Upholding the key principles of "value, loyalty, sustainability," Metropolitan has earned a solid reputation and built a strong corporate brand, achieving mutually beneficial outcomes for both the company and clients, continuously creating value in the international immigration business.



MARK LIN
Luby International Consulting Co.

Mark Lin, once an international student on an F-1 visa, earned degrees in chemical engineering and secondary education from a U.S. university. Following graduation, he faced the reality of uncertain H-1B visa selection and, regrettably, had to leave the U.S. without valid immigration status. This not only took away his job opportunity but also dashed his hopes of thriving in the U.S. – a story that resonates with countless other families and students residing and studying in the United States. Today, Lin is a manager at Luby International Consulting Co., specializing in U.S. immigration matters. With nearly a decade of experience, he has successfully guided numerous families through the complex immigration process. His journey from student visa uncertainty to immigration success for others stands as a testament to his dedication to in U.S. immigration service, offering hope and solutions to those in need.



## JOHN LIN Welcome Consulting Co.

John Lin owns Welcome Consulting Co., which specializes in the EB-5 immigration program. With extensive experience in real estate sales and financial services, he plays a crucial role in assisting investors by explaining the sources of funds and helping them select appropriate investment targets to increase the likelihood of EB-5 visa approval. Previously, he was appointed representative of South Africa's Bronkhorstspruit City Government in Taiwan.



JEAN LU

Mason's Immigration Services

Jean Lu has served as GM of Mason's Immigration Services Co., Ltd., since 1989. She has assisted thousands of Taiwanese and Chinese families to immigrate to the United States. Mason's Immigration Services is one of the most experienced pioneers in immigration services. Lu, who has more than 35 years of immigration experience, has always insisted on providing -notch professional services to customers. The company has handled more than 70 successful investment cases, with a total investment of more than \$150 million, all of which has been successful and paid back. In recent years, Mason's has also assisted customers who want to apply for L-1 (company internal transfer personnel), E-2 (treaty investors) and NIW (national interest exemption) to successfully obtain visas and green cards. They have also helped students who want to study in the United States to successfully enroll in their preferred universities.



## Bether Capital

Lily Zheng serves as the Vice President at Bether Capital. Her expertise lies in reviewing EB-5 offering documents, negotiating capital structure and investment terms, and establishing and maintaining partner relationships. Since 2012, Zheng has successfully facilitated funding for over 10 projects and has raised more than \$500 million in EB-5 capital. She collaborates closely with project partners and oversees the firm's global agent network, which spans across China, Korea, Vietnam, and the Middle East.

Zheng is proficient in Mandarin, English, and Korean. She has participated as a panelist in international industry association conferences and has been a speaker at regular foreign investor roadshows.



### **DESMOND ANG**

**Global Migration Solutions** 

Desmond Ang Swee Hong is a licensed immigration adviser, founder, and managing director of Global Migration Solutions. With over 21 years of professional experience in immigration law and policy, he has a proven track record advising clients on complex migration matters to New Zeland and Australia. He specializes in investment-based residency programs such as the Portugal Golden Visa. His finance, accounting, and auditing background enables him to manage migration programs for high-networth investors and business owners effectively.



#### LILY GUO ARCFE

Lily Guo is the founder and President of American Regional Center for Entrepreneurs (ARCFE). She is also a real estate investor and financier in the Metro New York commercial real estate market with a strong finance, marketing, and real estate development background. Guo has been working in the EB-5 industry for 16 years. Under her leadership, ARCFE has successfully raised funds for 20 real estate development projects throughout New York City under the EB-5 program, which have been approved when I-829 adjudications are due.



## WINNIE NG Manhattan Regional Center

Winnie Ng is Chief Executive Officer and Chief Counsel of Manhattan Regional Center. Ng is an EB-5 attorney renowned for advocating for increased transparency, honesty, and integrity in the EB-5 industry. She assisted in the lobbying efforts that led to the passage of the EB-5 Reform and Integrity Act of 2022. Before Manhattan, she provided legal services to hundreds of EB-5 investors while working at a prominent business and investment immigration law firm. She also assisted many regional centers and project developers in structuring their regional centers and projects for EB-5 compliance.



### ADAM GREENE

#### **Peachtree Group**

Adam Greene is executive vice president of Peachtree Group's EB-5 program. He has over 30 years of financial experience, including over a decade of EB-5 industry presence, and has managed over \$600M of EB-5 investments. Before joining Peachtree, Greene served as president, CEO and CFO for EB-5 regional centers and sponsor companies. As a prominent figure in the industry, Greene serves as an executive officer and board member for Invest in the USA (IIUSA), the national EB-5 Regional Center trade association. Peachtree Group is an investment firm driving growth with a diverse portfolio of commercial real estate assets and other ventures. They have executed hundreds of investments since inception with a focus on real estate acquisition, development, and lending. Today, Peachtree manages over \$2 billion in equity, augmented by services designed to protect, support, and grow their investments.



### CHRIS FOULGER

**HomeFed Corporation** 

Chris Foulger is the president of HomeFed Corporation, providing overall strategic direction for HomeFed's operational and development entities. Before joining HomeFed in 2005, he was vice president of Cottonwood Partners, an office building developer and pension fund advisor with assets throughout the country. A member of the Urban Land Institute, Foulger has a bachelor's degree in economics from the University of Utah and a master's degree in real estate development from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.



**EMILY ZHU**U.S Immigration Fund

Emily Zhu is the VP of Business Development and Head of East Asia at the U.S. Immigration Fund (USIF), leading initiatives to expand global investor access to EB-5 offerings. With over a decade of experience in EB-5, real estate, and investor communications, Zhu combines legal insight, strategic marketing, and cross-border expertise. She previously served as Managing Director for an EB-5 developer/regional center, overseeing over two dozen projects and raising capital from hundreds of international investors. Zhu holds an LL.M. from the University of Pennsylvania, a Bachelor's degree in Journalism from The University of Queensland, and a Master's in Communications from the University of Sydney.



#### STEPHANIE FANG

**Civitas Capital** 

Stephanie Fang is the director of Investor Relations at Civitas Capital Group, responsible for developing and managing global investor relations for high-net-worth individuals, family offices, and institutions focusing on East Asian markets. Since joining Civitas in 2013, Fang has helped hundreds of families and individuals invest in U.S. real estate through Civitas EB-5 and alternative investments. Before Civitas, she worked at China Everbright Bank and Citibank in Shanghai and New York. Fang holds a Master's in Finance from the University of Denver and completed the Certified Financial Planning Program from Texas A&M University in 2019.



### FRANCISCO LOURENÇO

CipleMaster

Francisco Lourenço is Project Manager of CipleMaster, an online school delivering A2 Portuguese Language courses for Golden Visa holders seeking Portuguese Citizenship or Permanent Residency. Specialized in the Education Management sector for more than ten years, Lourenço has also expertise in various sectors of Management, such as Marketing, Human Resources and Events. He graduated from University of Surrey in Business Management, with a Project Management Post-Graduate degree from the University of Essex.



### **BRANDON MEYER**

Meyer Law Group

Brandon Meyer is the founder and managing partner of Meyer Law Group, where he provides quality legal representation to clients ranging from EB-5 regional center operators and individual investors to multinational corporations. He values the freedom in operating his own firm, allowing him to handpick his clients and focus on cases with which he and the MLG team feel comfortable. Involved in EB-5 since 1998, Meyer has seen the multiple life cycles of the EB-5 program. Meyer received his law degree from University of San Diego School of Law and is a member of the Bars of Connecticut and the District of Columbia. MLG is headquartered in San Francisco and has offices in Los Angeles, San Diego, and Vietnam.



#### **JOSEPH BARNETT**

**WR** Immigration

Joseph "Joey" Barnett is a partner at Wolfsdorf Rosenthal LLP, specializing in EB-5 and business immigration practices. He holds licenses to practice law in Illinois, Wisconsin, and the District of Columbia, focusing exclusively on immigration and nationality law. As an active member of the American Immigration Lawyers Association (AILA), he serves as vice chair of the EB-5 Committee and has previously participated in AILA's Benefits Litigation Committee. Additionally, Barnett is a member of the EB-5 regional center trade association IIUSA's Editorial Board, contributing to its Regional Center Business Journal. Industry peers have recognized his expertise has been recognized by industry peers, earning him accolades as a Top 5 Rising Star in EB-5 in 2019 and a Top 25 EB-5 Attorney in both 2023 and 2022. He has also been included in the prestigious 2023 edition of The Best Lawyers in America® AND IS A repeat Top 25 Immigration Attorney Award winner since 2022.



#### ANDRES ECHEVARRIA

**VIVANCO & VIVANCO** 

Andres Echevarria is chairman of the international law firm Vivanco & Vivanco, headquartered in Miami, Florida. He has practiced immigration law exclusively for nearly 20 years, specializing in investor visas. Echevarria represents companies and high-networth individuals from around the world with their US immigration strategies. He is a Georgetown University graduate and a former Fulbright scholar. He is licensed in the US (State Bar of California) and Argentina (Buenos Aires Bar Association). Echevarria is a frequent law school lecturer, as well as a speaker and contributor at conferences on the US immigration law. He has published multiple reports and books on immigration law. Echevarria is fluent in English, Mandarin, Spanish, Portuguese and French.



#### SAMUEL NEWBOLD

**CSG Law** 

Samuel Newbold is the chair of the Immigration Law Group at CSG and is a member of CSG's Alternative Capital Group, where he heads the firm's EB-5 Practice. Newbold represents regional centers, EB-5 issuers, as well as individual investors. Newbold serves on the American Immigration Lawyers Association National EB-5 Committee and is the co-founder of Prxyco; a blockchain based EB-5 fund administration software platform that provides comprehensive end-to-end tracking and compliance reporting of EB-5 expenditures and job creation for EB-5 fund administrators.



### **MARJAN KASRA**

#### Lawmaks

Marjan Kasra is the founder and managing attorney of the Law Offices of Marjan Kasra, LLC (Lawmaks), where she has been assisting clients worldwide for nearly two decades. Kasra obtained her J.D. in 1999. She earned her bachelor's degree in biology and psychology at the University of Connecticut, followed by a two-year post-baccalaureate program at Columbia University. Kasra specializes in EB-5 and E-2 visa categories. With offices in Stamford, New York, Istanbul and Dubai, Kasra and her team specialize in customizing programs for Middle Eastern clientele. Kasra is proud to have joined the IABA's New York Chapter as a board member, where she is serving as the chairperson of the Mentoring Committee and is an active member of the Pro Bono Committee. Kasra has also served in New York City Bar's MENA committee, is an AILA member, and was recognized by EB5 Investors Magazine as a Top 5 Rising Stars in the EB-5 industry.

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The American Regional Center For Entrepreneurs (ARCFE) is a USCIS-designated EB-5 regional center, first designated in 2013 and redesignated under the Reform and Integrity Act of 2022. Its team of professionals specializes in the immigration, real estate, and financial industries, having successfully raised and managed EB-5 funds for 20 projects in the New York City and New Jersey area, with a 100% project approval rate. Their Pre-RIA projects have successfully repaid the EB-5 loans, totaling over \$200 million, repaid 100% EB-5 capital to all eligible investors. The firm is now in the process of raising funds for the Group 21 project located in New York City.

# CipleMaster

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CipleMaster is an online school specialized in Portuguese A2 Language courses valid for citizenship and permanent residency applications for Golden Visas. These courses are 100% online and fully flexible route to obtaining the certificate needed to complete the Citizenship and Permanent Residency Application. CipleMaster has over 100 partnerships with lawyers and investment agencies around the globe.

### civitas

Civitas Capital Group is an alternative investment management firm with over a decade of proven leadership in the EB-5 sector. By providing high-quality offerings that leverage extensive expertise in the U.S. real estate market, Civitas enables investors from more than 40 countries to engage in the EB-5 Immigrant Investor Program, facilitating their pursuit of the American Dream. The firm prioritizes niche, differentiated investment strategies and manages a billion-dollar alternative investment platform that caters to institutional and qualified individual investors on a global scale.



Crystal Window & Door Systems manufactures high-quality, energy-efficient vinyl, uPVC, and aluminum windows and doors. Their main office and primary production facility are in New York City, with additional plants in Chicago, IL; Riverside, CA; Union, MO; and Scranton, PA. They have new construction and replacement products suitable for homes, businesses, and institutions. After 33 years, the firm now ranks among the top window manufacturers in North America.



HomeFed Corporation is a public real estate development company that specializes in creating vibrant, mixed-use master plan communities that combine innovative placemaking techniques and environmental stewardship. Incorporated in 1988 and headquartered in Carlsbad, California, HomeFed is known for undertaking large, complex, environmentally challenging projects that require long-term investments. The company owns a portfolio of successful projects in California and along the East Coast, from the state of New York to the panhandle of Florida. In addition to its community development projects, HomeFed owns several undeveloped properties in various stages of planning and entitlement, as well as income-producing real estate assets.



## 路比國際移民留學顧問公司 Luby International Consulting Co.

Founded in 1983 and headquartered in Taipei, Luby International Immigration Consulting Co. It is a leading provider of U.S. and Canadian immigration services. One of Asia's leading immigration consulting firms, Luby has successfully guided thousands of individuals through the complexities of securing foreign residency in North America.



Since January 2011, Manhattan Regional Center (MRC) has successfully helped hundreds of EB-5 investors by providing attractive projects in New York City. Under the leadership of its managing member, a prolific real estate developer, attorney, and financier with over 30 years of experience, MRC has a world-class team of seasoned professionals from the immigration law, banking, accounting, financing, construction development and management sectors, working together to achieve immigration and investment success for its investors.



Meyer Law Group is a U.S. immigration law firm based in San Francisco, California. They provide legal and immigration services to investors, multinational corporations, small businesses, and start-ups. With over 20 years of experience, they offer their clients unparalleled knowledge, unflagging quality, and long-term value. Meyer Law Group's global team of experts speak over nine languages and secure timely approvals for clients due to their impeccable attention to detail. Brandon Meyer, founder and managing partner of the firm, has been ranked among the Top 25 Immigration Attorneys by EB5 Investors Magazine since 2014.



MSR Communities is a residential developer in the U.S. In 2024, Inc. 5000 ranked MSR as the fastest-growing privately held construction company in Washington State. The company has a successful 8-year history of EB-5 projects. Completed projects include Westlake Townhomes in Lake Stevens, WA, and Tuscany Woods in Marysville, WA.

They are currently developing Astra23.



Peachtree Group is a vertically integrated investment management firm that specializes in identifying and capitalizing on opportunities in dislocated markets, with a primary focus on commercial real estate. The firm manages billions in capital across acquisitions, development, and lending, and offers additional services designed to protect, support, and grow its investments.



TC District Enterprises and Frontline Construction is a development company that provides a reliable pathway to U.S. residency through the EB-5 visa program. With a combined portfolio of over 20 successful developments, their team possesses extensive expertise in designing and executing residential, retail, and mixed-use projects. Currently, they are developing two new EB-5 offerings in Northern California: one in Lake Tahoe and the other in Clear Lake.



U.S. Immigration Fund is a Regional Center approved by USCIS. Since 2010, USIF has helped over 5,200 families with the EB-5 process, providing them clarity, confidence, and peace of mind. They offer real estate projects that protect investors and ensure successful immigration, with more than \$3 billion in invested capital. For more than 15 years, USIF has led the EB-5 field—setting industry standards, expanding the EB-5 program globally, and using best practices to protect investors while promoting significant economic results.



Vivanco & Vivanco is an international law firm founded in 1902. It specializes in U.S. immigration law, especially helping high-net-worth individuals and celebrities worldwide. The firm's immigration team includes highly ranked attorneys and experts in EB-5 investor immigration. With 15 United States, Latin America, and Europe offices, Vivanco & Vivanco combines global reach with local expertise. Many of its international offices are recognized by the U.S. Department of State as recommended law firms, proving its strong reputation for quality service.



WR Immigration is an immigration law firm that provides strategic services for clients in more than 100 countries. For over two decades, they have helped thousands of families obtain green cards through the EB-5 program. They assist in documenting the source and path of funds for an EB/5 investment, preparing I-526/I-526E and I-829 petitions, and I-956 Applications for Regional Center Designation and I-956F Regional Center applications for EB-5 project approval. Its EB-5 team ensures guidance and representation for individuals, Regional Centers, and assists with litigation.



Zen EB5 (Zen) is a real estate developer that has built over 12,000 homes and apartments across more than 65 projects in the United States. Zen is part of the national Leadership Council for EB5, playing a role in shaping policies and laws for the EB-5 program. The company carefully plans its projects to meet Wall Street's high standards for success. Zen also ensures that it creates at least 50% more jobs than the 10 jobs required by law. With offices in Phoenix, Arizona, Silicon Valley, California, and Manhattan, New York, Zen offers personalized support to its partners and investors.



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## SAUL EWING

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Saul Ewing LLP is a national law firm with over 20 offices around the United States. The firm is a leading EB-5 player and represents a substantial number of EB-5 regional centers, developers, senior lenders, banks and related EB-5 issuers. With respect to EB-5 investors, it has a large practice representing investors from India and Latin America. Its corporate/securities work allows it exposures to many of the projects that have been and continue to be successfully carried out around the U.S. The firm also offers comprehensive immigration services including most immigrant and non-immigrant visas for foreign investors. Members of the group have actively lectured and published in the EB-5 corporate/securities and immigration fields throughout the U.S, India, Latin America, Gulf countries and China.



Klasko Immigration Law Partners, LLP's accomplished EB-5 team is led by Ronald Klasko, who currently chairs AlLA's Administrative Litigation Task Force. He served five terms as chair of AlLA's EB-5 committee and chaired IIUSA's Best Practices Committee. The firm has gained a reputation for providing innovative and creative solutions to the most complex immigration problems, notably developing and popularizing third-country citizenship by investment/E-2 visas as a strategy for addressing EB-5 quota backlogs. The firm is recognized annually by U.S. News & World Report as a Best Law Firm and Band 2 in Chambers and Partners, being the only immigration law firm with two lawyers individually recognized in Band 1. The firm's EB-5 practice files hundreds of I-526 petitions per year, structures hundreds of EB-5-compliant projects, and helps clients maintain compliance with EB-5 regulations and reporting requirements. The firm is the North American representative office of the Investment Migration Council.



JTC is a publicly listed, global professional services business with funds and corporate and private client services expertise. Every JTC person owns the business, and this fundamental part of their culture aligns with the stakeholders' best interests. JTC's purpose is to maximize potential, and their success is built on service excellence, long-term relationships, and technology capabilities that drive efficiency and add value. JTC provides a full suite of customised fund administration solutions across multiple asset classes (private equity, real estate, venture capital, debt, impact, opportunity zones, insurance specialty funds) in the U.S. and abroad. As an industry leader in specialty financial administration, the company offers purpose-built solutions for markets characterised by high administrative and regulatory complexity, heightened transaction security needs and challenging compliance requirements, including EB-5, 1031 Exchange and Delaware Statutory Trusts.

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