

An aerial night view of a city skyline, likely Bangkok, featuring a river, a bridge with light trails, and several skyscrapers. The image is overlaid with large, semi-transparent geometric shapes: a yellow triangle on the left, a dark blue triangle in the center, and a yellow triangle on the right. The text is positioned on the left side, partially overlapping the yellow triangle.

Smart Visa & Long-Term Resident Program

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The **SMART** Visa

The **Smart Visa** Program is intended to attract experts, executives, investors, and startup entrepreneurs to work or invest in technology companies to help develop the targeted industries which will, in turn, drive technology and innovation in Thailand.



Biofuels and Biochemical



Digital Economy



Medical Hub



Automation and Robotics



Aviation & Logistics



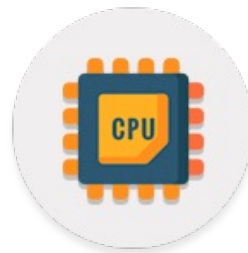
Environmental Management & Renewable Energy



Alternative Dispute Resolution



Agricultural & Biotechnology



Smart Electronics



Affluent Medical & Wellness Tourism



Next-Generation Automotive



Food for The Future






Human Resource Development in Science & Technology

SMART VISA (Launched February 1, 2018)

Taking Thailand to New Heights with Foreign Talents and Technologies

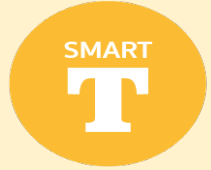


Most loved **SMART** Visa Privileges Ranking

- #1**  **Permission to work without work permits**
- #2**  **Exemption from 4:1 employment ratio**
- #3**  **Maximum 4 years Visa to be collected in Thailand**

- #4**  **90-day report becomes 1-year report**
- #5**  **Fast Track Service at International Airports**
- #6**  **No re-entry required**

Qualifications for SMART Visa type "T" "E" "I"



Highly-Skilled Experts
(Talents)



Income \geq 100,000 Bht

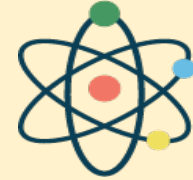
OR



Income \geq 50,000 Bht
(Startup employees, retired experts)



Contract \geq 1 year



Expertise in S&T



Experts in ADR/
Working for the government



work for the Government or
domestic ADR institute



No minimum income



No minimum
contract term



Guaranteed by the
employer



Senior Executives



Income \geq 200,000 B



Contract \geq 1 year



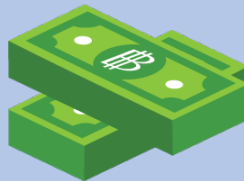
10 years of experience and
bachelor's degree or above



Tech-based company



Investors



Direct Investment or through
VC \geq 20 Million B

OR



Investment in startups etc. \geq
5 Million B



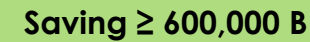
Maintaining the investment



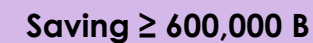
Tech-based company



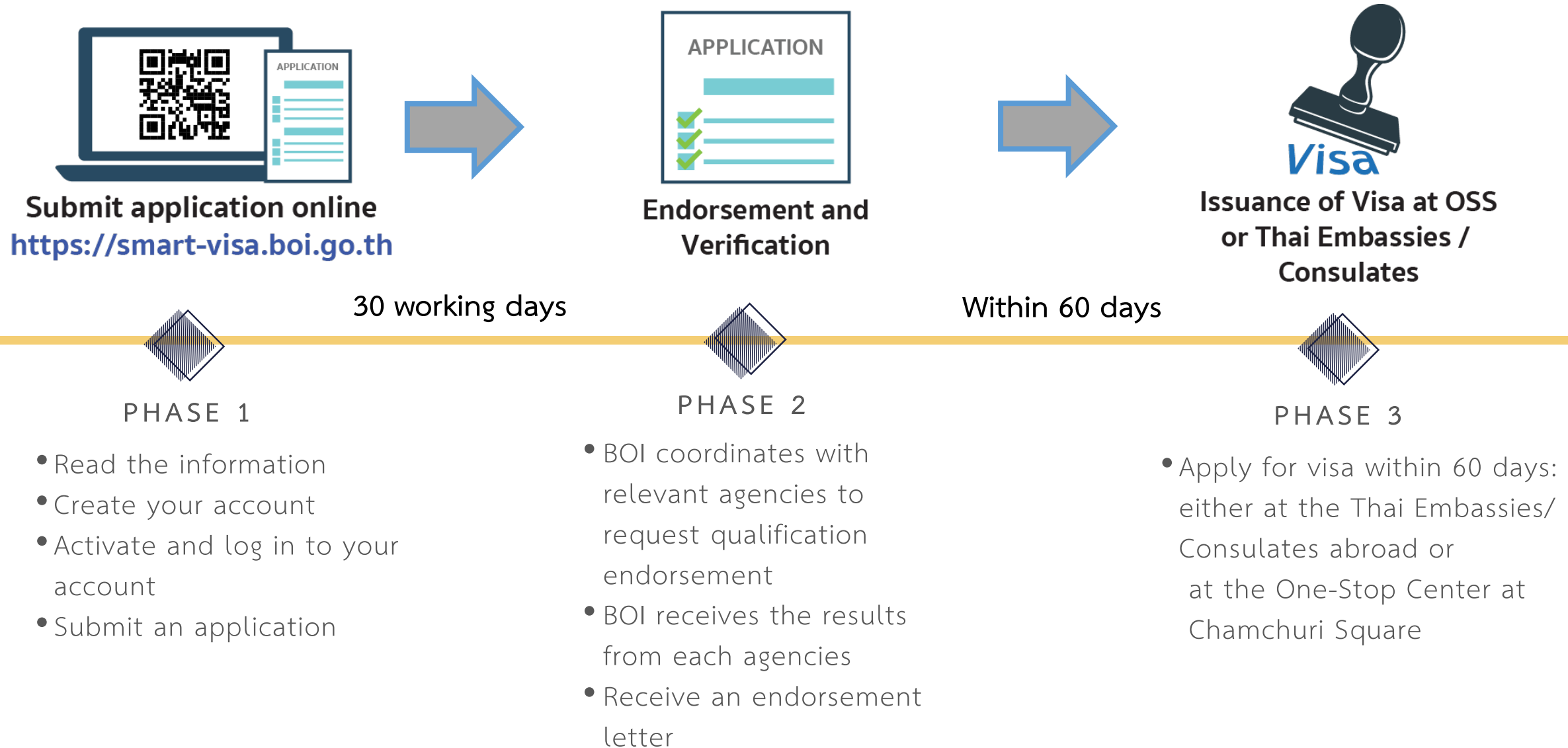
Startup camp



A director of the company



Application Process for SMART Visa



Long-term resident visa : LTR

The Thai government has set the target of attracting 1 million wealthy or talented foreign residents into Thailand over the next five years



Wealthy Global Citizen

Wealthy individuals holding at least USD 1 million in assets



Wealthy Pensioner

Retirees aged over 50 years who have an annual pension or stable income



Work - From Thailand Professional

Remote workers working for well-established overseas companies



Highly - Skilled Professional

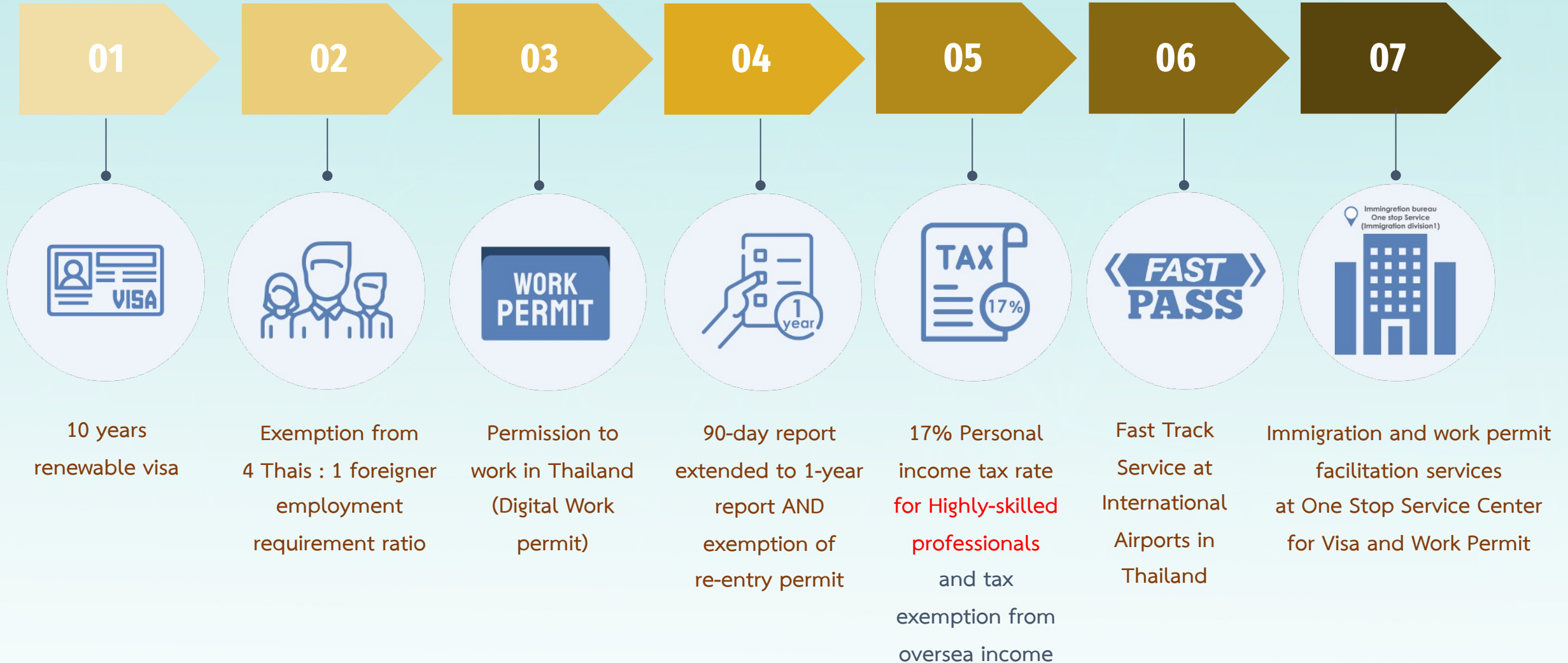
Professionals in targeted industries working for business entities or higher education institutes or research centers or specialized training institutions or Thai government agencies



Dependants

Spouse and children aged under 20 years old of LTR visa holders

Privileges to be offered to LTR visa holders



Eligibility Criteria

Qualifications and Criteria



Wealth Status & Investment

Wealthy Global Citizen



- At least USD 1 million in assets
- Personal income of a minimum of USD 80,000/year in the past two years
- Investment of at least USD 500,000 in Thai government bonds, foreign direct investment, or Thai property

Wealthy Pensioner



- Personal income of at least USD 80,000/year at the time of application
- In case of personal income below USD 80,000/year but no less than USD 40,000/year, applicants must invest at least USD 250,000 in Thai government bonds, foreign direct investment, or Thai property

Health Insurance

Health insurance policy with at least USD 50,000 coverage or social security benefits insuring treatment in Thailand or at least USD 100,000 deposit

Qualifications and Criteria



Current employer

Work-from-Thailand professional

- Public company on a stock exchange or;
- Private company in operation for at least three years with combined revenue at least USD 150 million in the last three years

Highly-skilled professional

- Business in any targeted industries
- Higher education institution, research institution, specialized training institution, or Thai government agency

Eligibility Criteria

Qualifications and Criteria

Work-from-Thailand professional



Highly-skilled professional



Personal income

Personal income of a minimum of USD 80,000/ year in the past two years

In case of personal income below USD 80,000/year but no less than USD 40,000/year in the past two years, **applicants must have a Master's degree or above or own intellectual property or receive Series A funding**

In case of personal income below USD 80,000/year but no less than USD 40,000/year in the past two years or before retirement, **applicants must have a Master's degree or above in science and technology or special expertise relevant to the job assignment in Thailand.**

No minimum personal income for professionals working for Thai government agencies



Experience

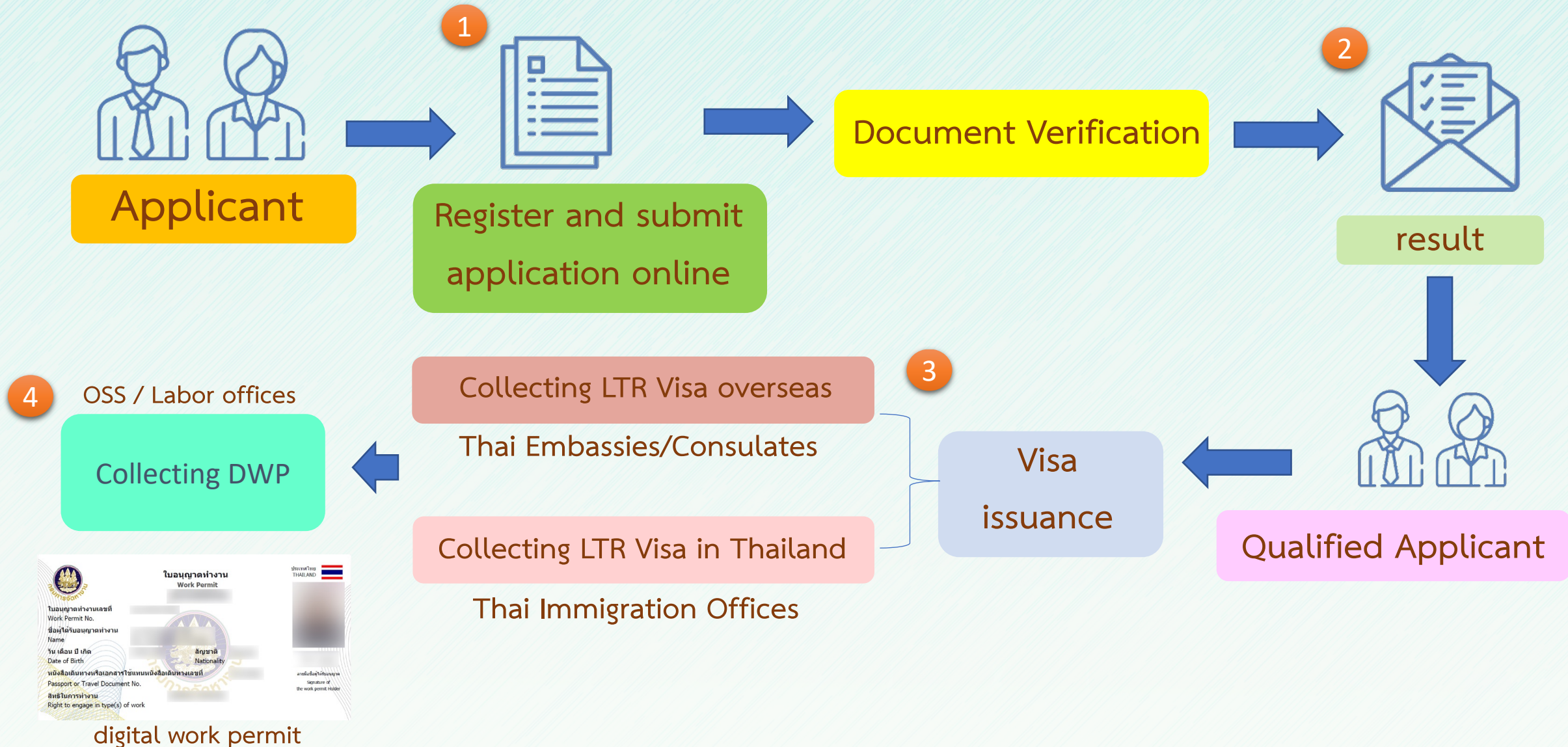
At least 5 years of work experience in the relevant fields of the current employment over the past 10 years

At least 5 years of work experience in the targeted industries **except for applicants with a PhD or above in the relevant fields of the targeted industries or applicants working for Thai government agencies**

Health Insurance

Health insurance policy with at least USD 50,000 coverage or social security benefits insuring treatment in Thailand or at least USD 100,000 deposit

Visa Application and Issuance



For more information

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