

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) about Permanent Residency in Burkina Faso for ADDI Members

1. *How do we get Permanent Residency?*
 - All ADDI members who had applied for citizenship and have submitted their background checks will be granted Permanent Residency.
 - The regulation that states that you need to have resided in Burkina Faso for five years has been waived for ADDI members who had already applied for Citizenship and are already on the list.
2. *Will holding permanent residency require me to reside in Burkina Faso for a specific amount of time each year?*
 - No. You can enter and re-enter Burkina Faso as often as you wish to, with permanent residency and you do not have to be resident there for any specific amount of time.
3. *Will there be a formal ceremony for the issuance of permanent residency?*
 - Yes. The Government of Burkina Faso will still have a ceremony to grant permanent residency whilst the team is in Burkina Faso between October 26th and November 8th, 2025.
4. *How many years will permanent residency cover? When will it need to be renewed?*
 - Once issued there will be no need to renew permanent residency.
5. *How much will permanent residency cost?*
 - The Government of Burkina Faso is still working on these implementation details.
6. *Will we be obtaining this residency card during our visit?*
 - The Inter-Ministerial committee appointed by President Traore to work with ADDI on this initiative are working on this issue.
7. *Can immediate family members also get permanent residency?*
 - Yes, they can.
8. *How long do you need to have permanent residency to then get full citizenship?*
 - The usual route is ten years however ADDI members will get special dispensation depending on how much they put into Burkina Faso including investing in the country. This period will be significantly shortened.
9. *Will we be allowed to invest in Burkina Faso as a citizen?*
 - Yes, you will be able to invest. You would have to work with the Ministry of Trade to make this happen.
10. *Will we be able to buy property in our names?*
 - Yes, you will be able to buy property.
11. *Can we work within the government sector as Permanent Residents?*
 - Yes, you can. You would have to go through the laid down process that other citizens have to be follow.