

Alireza Bijandi

Subject: Feedback on the proposed naturalization period extension

Dear Sir/Madam,

As a highly skilled immigrant who has lived, worked, and planned my life and career in the Netherlands , I would like to respectfully express my concern about extending the naturalization period from five to ten years.

I do not see myself in a position to comment on whether this extension is right or wrong, as I am not yet a Dutch national and **I fully respect the decisions made by the Dutch government and its people. However, I believe I have the right to share my opinion on one specific aspect: fairness toward those who already live here and have built their future based on the current five-year rule.**

Many of us have made long-term plans, career decisions, and investments in the Netherlands under the existing system. Applying the new rule retroactively would be discouraging and unfair to those who trusted the current framework. I sincerely hope this proposal will consider fairness for existing residents and apply any new regulation only to newcomers entering the country after the law takes effect.

Kind regards,

Eindhoven, 03 Nov, 2025

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Alireza', with a stylized flourish above it.