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Sweden | Fast-Track Work Permit Processing Scheme Closing

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Swedish immigration authorities that the fast-track work permit processing scheme will close on Dec. 15.

Key Points:

- Employers that are certified operators with the Swedish Migration Agency qualify for the fast-track scheme. This process provides faster processing for work permit applications (10 working days for first applications and 20 working days for renewal applications).
- The last day to apply under the fast-track scheme as a certified operator is Dec. 14. Swedish authorities will process the application backlog between Dec.15 and Jan. 29, 2024.
- The fast-track work permit processing scheme will then be replaced by a new system after Jan. 29, 2024.

BAL Analysis: The Swedish government is transitioning to a new immigration model to promote international recruitment of highly skilled workers, and more information about the changes being implemented can be found . Employers could see delayed processing times as the fast-track processing scheme phases out.

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