

# Press Releases: U.S.-Portugal Signing of a Memorandum of Understanding To Establish a 12-Month Pilot Program To Build Intercultural Understanding and Provide Training at Innovative Organizations

Notice to the Press  
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The U.S. Department of State will host an MOU signing ceremony with Portugal at 3:00 p.m. on Monday, February 11, 2019, in the Treaty Room. The ceremony will commemorate the launch of a 12-month pilot program between both nations that will provide structured and guided training for young American and Portuguese people interested in learning about innovation and organizational growth and development.

Assistant Secretary for Educational and Cultural Affairs Marie Royce and Portuguese Ambassador to the United States Domingos Fezas Vital will provide brief remarks before signing the MOU.

*The event is open to the press. Pre-set time for video cameras is 2:15 pm from the 23rd Street entrance. Final access time for writers and stills is 2:30 pm from the 23rd Street entrance.*

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