

Letter of Intent

On the occasion of the official visit by His Excellency the President of the Portuguese Republic, Mr Aníbal Cavaco Silva, to Norway, the Minister of Education and Science of Portugal and the Minister of Education and Research of the Kingdom of Norway;

ESTEEMING the long-standing cultural, economic and trade relations between the Kingdom of Norway and the Portuguese Republic as a basis for strengthened cooperation, both at bilateral and multilateral levels;

DESIRING to strengthen the cooperation between the two countries in the field of research and innovation, which is critical to the development of their national economies;

STIMULATING bilateral, multilateral and global initiatives, and concerting, whenever possible, common positions and complementarities;

ASPIRING to increase the scale, scope and productivity of the existing cooperation between the two countries' scientific communities, including within the context of the European Union;

DECIDE to strive for, within the mandate of both ministries, strengthened research collaboration between our two countries, through the implementation of a Memorandum of Understanding signed between the Foundation for Science and Technology (FCT) and the Research Council of Norway (RCN).

Done in Oslo on 4 May 2015, in two originals, both in the English language.

Signed,

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION AND SCIENCE

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION AND RESEARCH



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