

Nominate Artisan Entrepreneur for the Launch of the “Global Campaign for Artisan Enterprise” Washington, DC - September 10, 2015

Nomination deadline: August 6, 2015

The U.S. Embassy Lisbon is seeking nominations for an artisan entrepreneur to participate in the launch of the Alliance for Artisan Enterprise's Global Campaign for Artisan Enterprise on September 10, 2015 in Washington, DC. The U.S. Department of State selects the participants and funds their travel to/from Washington, DC. Artisans chosen to attend the event will have an opportunity to showcase their products, network with private sector representatives, donors, and government representatives.

Background:

The [Alliance for Artisan Enterprise](#) (the Alliance)—a collaboration between the Aspen Institute and the Secretary's Office of Global Women's Issues for the U.S. Department of State—is a global platform whose mission is to support the power and potential of the artisan sector, to create jobs, increase incomes, enhance cultural heritage and promote development that respects the uniqueness of people and place.

To scale the impact of the Alliance, the **U.S. Department of State will launch the Global Campaign for the artisan sector on September 10, 2015**. The event will provide a combination of high visibility media engagement, high level speakers, innovative solution-finding sessions, and a multimedia competition to engage a wide variety of audiences to scale artisan initiatives.

Nomination requirements:

Nominees must be at least 18 years old and speak English at a professional working proficiency. Artisan enterprises that nominees represent must employ at least 10 artisans but no more than 100 artisans; have a functioning website; source the majority of their raw materials locally; and maintain ethical labor practices. While male artisans are eligible for nomination, priority will be given to women-owned enterprises.

Nomination submission:

Please submit your nominations before August 6, 2015 to OPALisbon@state.gov. Nominations should include the following information:

- Name of the artisan enterprise
- Name of the artisan enterprise representative
- Primary email and phone number of the artisan enterprise representative
- Website address of the artisan enterprise
- Country of the artisan enterprise representative
- Number of artisans that the enterprise employs
- Average annual income earned by the artisan enterprise
- Primary source(s) of raw materials
- No more than 500 words stating what the artisan enterprise representative would contribute to the September 10 Launch Event for Artisan Enterprise

If you have any questions, please contact us at OPALisbon@state.gov.

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“Artisan Enterprise: The New Startup Economy”



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