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Notification: Call for nominations for the IPBES Committee on Conflicts of interest

Dear IPBES Members,

I am pleased to inform you that the IPBES Bureau invites IPBES Members to nominate candidates for election to the IPBES Committee on Conflicts of Interest.

The IPBES Plenary adopted the conflict-of-interest policy and implementation procedures at its third session (annex II to decision IPBES-3/3). The overall purpose of this policy is to protect the legitimacy, integrity and credibility of the Platform and its deliverables as well as confidence in its activities and in individuals who are directly involved in the preparation of its reports and other deliverables.

The Committee on Conflicts of Interest was constituted in 2015, following the third session of the Plenary, in accordance with rule 10 of the conflict-of-interest policy and implementation procedures. The Committee comprises three elected members from the Bureau, including one of the Bureau vice-chairs as chair, and five members, one per United Nations region (African Group; Asia-Pacific Group; Eastern European Group; Latin American and Caribbean Group (GRULAC); and Western European and Others Group (WEOG)), selected by the Bureau following a call for nominees from member countries of the Platform, together with one additional member with appropriate legal expertise from, and appointed by, the organization hosting the secretariat. The current members of the committee comprise:

- Douglas Beard (United States; IPBES Vice-Chair; Chair of the Committee)
- Vinod Mathur (India; Bureau member)
- Rashad Allahverdiyev (Azerbaijan; Bureau member)
- Helena Nader (Brazil)
- Jean-François Silvain (France)
- Haigen Xu (China)
- Kaouthar Tliche Aloui (Tunisia)
- Nilay (Çabuk) Kaya (Turkey)
- Stadler Trengove (Principal Legal Officer, UNEP)

The committee works by remote means.

The Bureau, at its 14th meeting, decided to hold elections for membership of the Committee at its 15th meeting, tentatively scheduled for 7-11 September 2020. Upon election of the new members, the term of office of the current members elected in 2015, will conclude. **The Bureau is thus inviting the Members of the Platform to make nominations for the five members, one per United Nations region, who are not part of the IPBES Bureau.** Current members can be re-elected. The five members will be elected for a period of three years, until the election of their successors.

Nominations should be made by completing the nomination form at <https://ipbes.net/nomination-coi-2020>, including the submission of a curriculum vitae of the nominee, by **10 August 2020**. Early nominations ahead of the deadline are encouraged.

I thank you in advance for your support and cooperation in this matter.

Yours sincerely



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