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REMINDER

Call for nominations of experts – assessment of invasive alien species

EM/2018/33

Dear IPBES members, observers and stakeholders,

With reference to notification [EM/2018/22](#) (04 October 2018), I would like to remind you of the deadline for applications for the nominations of experts for the upcoming IPBES assessment of invasive alien species.

Interested experts who would like to seek nomination by a Government, are encouraged to contact their IPBES national focal point (<https://www.ipbes.net/national-focal-points>) regarding any country-specific processes or deadlines and are requested to fill out their application form through the dedicated web portal by no later than **11 January 2019**. Nominators (Governments or organizations) are required to approve the applications and submit their nominations by **1 February 2019**.

Relevant organizations, such as research institutes or universities, are welcome to nominate, regardless of whether they are or not an accredited observer to the IPBES Plenary.

Please note that the first meeting of the expert group is scheduled for **19-23 August 2019** in Japan. All selected experts are invited and expected to attend this meeting as part of their terms of accepting to participate as an expert.

We thank all Governments and Observers that have already submitted their nominations and look forward to receiving even more in the coming days.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Anne Larigauderie'.

Anne Larigauderie
Executive Secretary