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## Letter of nomination for Secondary Focal Point - Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES)

Dr Anne Larigauderie, Executive Secretary

I, Dr Ovidiu Nicolae BADEA, Scientific Director of the National Institute for Research and Development in Forestry "Marin Dracea", enthusiastically support the nomination of Dr Ancuta Fedorca as Secondary Focal Point under IPBES. Dr Fedorca has rich expertise (according to the IPBES classification) in Conservation and restoration (3513), Evolution/Extinctions/Genetics and ecology of wild species (3518) and Terrestrial ecosystems (3542).

Dr Fedorca technical expertise in landscape genetics, population genetics of wildlife species, landscape conservation and conservation biology, would be an asset to IPBES. In the last ten years, she established a reputation as a passionate and highly knowledgeable expert in accomplishing the goals for the conservation of biodiversity, demonstrating thoughtleadership in the emerging field of landscape resiliency.

Please consider allowing Dr Ancuta Fedorca to contribute her time and expertise to the IPBES. If I can be of further assistance to facilitate her acceptance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Best Regards, Dr Ovidiu Badea Scientific Director of the INCDS Marin Dracea