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Dr Anne Larigauderie, Executive Secretary  
IPBES Secretariat  
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Dear Dr. Larigauderie,

IMBeR would like to nominate Dr. John Claydon (Executive Director of IMBeR's International Project Office – Canada) as a focal point for IPBES activities and also nominate Prof. GiHoon Hong (Strategy Director, IMBeR International Project Office – China) as the secondary focal. Dr. Claydon has a background as a marine ecologist and policy-maker (Turks and Caicos Islands Government). Prof. Hong is a marine biogeochemist who has served as chair of international environmental protection treaties (London Convention).

I believe that Dr. Claydon and Prof. Hong are appropriate nominees for focal points for IPBES, a body established to strengthen the science-policy interface for biodiversity and ecosystem services for the conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity, long-term human well-being and sustainable development.

Regards,



Prof. Carol Robinson  
Chair, IMBeR Scientific Steering Committee