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Subject: **Nomination of a focal point to IPBES**

Dear Ms Larigauderie,

Your letter of 22 November inviting stakeholder organizations involved in the work of IPBES, to nominate an official focal point to IPBES, comes at a time of some reorganization in the CITES Secretariat.

I am writing therefore to inform you that with effect from 1 January 2022, Ms Thea Carroll, Officer-in-Charge of the CITES Secretariat's Governing Bodies Unit will be our focal point for IPBES.

Kind regards,

Ivonne Higuero
Secretary-General