

2nd December 2021

Institute of Zoology Focal Point nomination

To whom this may concern,

With this letter, I confirm that the Institute of Zoology nominates Dr Nathalie Pettoirelli as the official focal point to the International Panel on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES).

The Institute of Zoology is a leading international centre for conservation science. As an independent Higher Education Institution hosted by the Zoological Society of London, it has strong links with the Convention on Biological Diversity, the Convention on Migratory Species, the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species, Ramsar and the International Union for the Conservation of Nature. The Institute is an internationally competitive academic institution with a high degree of inter-disciplinary activity: in the 2014 Research Excellence Framework, the quality of research at the Institute of Zoology emerged as among the very highest in the UK, with 100% of its research being recognised as having international impact; of this, 90% was rated as being world-leading or internationally excellent.

As an organization, we look forward to further support the important work of the International Panel on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services and believe this nomination will help us deliver on this commitment.

Yours sincerely,



Prof. Sarah Durant
Institute of Zoology Director