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Dr. Anne Larigauderie
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Intergovernmental Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES)
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Re: Nomination of Designated Organisation Focal Point for Non-Timber Forest Products – Exchange Programme Asia (NTFP-EP Asia) to the Intergovernmental Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES)

Dear Dr. Larigauderie,

On behalf of the Non-Timber Forest Products – Exchange Programme Asia (NTFP-EP Asia), I am pleased to submit our official letter nominating our Program Officer, Ms. Diana Josefa O. San Jose, as the designated focal point for our organisation.

Ms. Diana San Jose is the lead for NTFP-EP's thematic programs on community-based conservation and indigenous food and health. She provides support to our organization's Research Committee, as well as the various thematic networks we coordinate, particularly the working group on Wild Foods, Biodiversity and Livelihoods, the Madhu Duniya Asian Forest honey network, and the ICCA Southeast Asia Consortium. These are all very much aligned with the thrusts and focus of IPBES on strengthening 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.

I am glad to put forth this endorsement letter to appoint her as our official focal point to IPBES.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

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