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To whom it may concern

Re: Nomination of a EWRS focal point to IPBES

European Weed Research Society (EWRS) is interested in becoming involved in the work of IPBES. EWRS is a scientific organization established in 1975. More information about the EWRS is available at www.ewrs.org.

It gives me a great pleasure to nominate **Dr. Matthias Schumacher**, from the University of Hohenheim (Germany), for a position of EWRS focal point representative to IPBES.

Dr. Schumacher is a Coordinator of EWRS Working Group "Weeds and Biodiversity". Working Group members are weed scientists, agroecologists, botanists and specialists from other disciplines, who are interested in weeds from a conservation perspective, in the composition of the arable floral in response to management tools, in ecosystem services provided by weeds, and in the role of weeds in supporting food webs and the consequences this has in turn on the control of weed communities.

Looking forward to starting a fruitful co-operation with the IPBES.

Kind regards,



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