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Notification: Call for nominations of participants to the IPBES youth workshop (19-23 October 2022)

Dear IPBES members, observers and other interested stakeholders,

The Plenary, at its ninth session (IPBES 9), held in Bonn, Germany, from 3 to 9 July 2022, approved the organization of a youth workshop as part of its work under objective 2 of the IPBES work programme: building capacity.

Governments and relevant institutions and organizations are herewith invited to **nominate candidates to participate in the youth workshop to be held on the Isle of Vilm, Germany, from 19 to 23 October 2022.**

The workshop aims to strengthen the engagement of young people in the work of IPBES, and to support the uptake of assessments among young people, other individuals and organizations. Participants will also be invited, in collaboration with the task force on scenarios and models, to explore possible nature futures and to contribute to the work on scenarios and models.

The workshop will consist of 25 participants, with five participants from each of the five UN regions (Africa, Asia and Pacific, Eastern Europe, Latin America and Caribbean, Western Europe and others).

Governments are invited to nominate candidates representing a youth organization or network in their region.

Youth organizations and networks engaged in work on biodiversity and ecosystem services may nominate a member of their organization or network to participate in the youth workshop. Nominating organizations or institutions are not required to have been admitted to the Plenary of IPBES as an observer. **Please help us to disseminate this call for nominations widely.**

Nominated candidates should be between 18-30 years of age, member of a youth organization or network, and actively engaged in relevant work on biodiversity and ecosystem including on the two reports approved by IPBES 9 (values assessment, and sustainable use of wild species assessment).

The application and nomination process:

1. Candidates are invited to complete the application form through the dedicated web portal at https://ipbes.net/application/youth_workshop_2022 (to access this page you will need to log in with your IPBES website login credentials. Candidates not yet registered on the IPBES

website will need to do so at <https://ipbes.net/user/register> . Please note that the application form is in English only, as the workshop will be held in English;

2. The nominating Government, organization or institution indicated by the candidate will receive an email with a link to the nomination form and will be invited to approve and submit the nomination in the web portal;
3. Nominators and candidates will receive a confirmation via email once the nomination has been duly submitted.

Interested candidates are requested to fill out their application form by **10 August 2022**. Nominators are invited to approve the application by **17 August 2022**. Early nominations ahead of the deadline are encouraged. Participants will be selected by the management committee of the IPBES task force on capacity-building.

More information on the workshop, application and nomination process, and selection criteria can be found on the IPBES website: <https://ipbes.net/ipbes-youth-workshop-2022>

I thank you in advance for your nominations and your continued support to IPBES.

Yours sincerely,



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