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Reminder: Call for nominations of experts and fellows for the methodological assessment of integrated biodiversity-inclusive spatial planning and ecological connectivity is closing soon!

Dear IPBES members, observers and other interested stakeholders,

As you will remember, the IPBES Plenary, in decision IPBES-10/1, approved the undertaking of the methodological assessment of integrated biodiversity-inclusive spatial planning and ecological connectivity (“spatial planning and connectivity assessment”).

With reference to notifications [EM/2024/45](#) and [EM/2024/46](#) I would like to remind interested experts to complete the respective application forms by **10 January** and to remind nominators (Governments or organizations) to submit the nominations of all nominees which they would like to support before **24 January 2025**.

The spatial planning assessment will address the use and change in use of land, inland waters and sea, including areas beyond national jurisdiction. It will provide options for avoiding land and sea use change that negatively affects biodiversity and options for improving planning for effective conservation, restoration and sustainable use of nature and its contributions to people across spatial and temporal scales.

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

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Anne Larigauderie'.

Dr Anne Larigauderie | Executive Secretary
Intergovernmental Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES)