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**Save the date: Twelfth session of the Plenary of the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES), 3 to 8 February 2026, United Kingdom**

Dear IPBES members, observers and other interested stakeholders,

The Plenary at its eleventh session accepted with appreciation the offer by the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to host the twelfth session of the Plenary of the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES 12). I am pleased to inform you that IPBES 12 will be held from **3 to 8 February 2026**. The venue and other practical information will be communicated in the coming weeks.

IPBES 12 will be preceded by regional consultations and a Stakeholder Day on 2 February 2026. Further information on these events will also follow in due course.

At IPBES 12, the Plenary will consider, among other items, the methodological assessment of the impact and dependence of business on biodiversity and nature's contributions to people (business and biodiversity assessment).

Further information on the registration process, meeting documentation and any preparatory processes will be shared in due course.

I thank you for 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)