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Call for nominations of members of the Multidisciplinary Experts Panel of IPBES

Dear IPBES members,

I would like to invite you to submit to the secretariat nominations of candidates for the Multidisciplinary Experts Panel of the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES).

As you may recall, the IPBES Plenary, at its ninth session held in Bonn, Germany, in July 2022, elected a Multidisciplinary Expert Panel consisting of 25 members. Paragraph 1 of rule 29 of the rules of procedure for sessions of the Plenary provides that the term of office of each Panel member is three years and should start at the closure of the session at which he or she is elected and end at the closure of the session at which his or her successor is elected. According to rule 29 of the rules of procedure for sessions of the Plenary, there is a possibility of re-election for one consecutive term. The term of office of all current members of the Multidisciplinary Experts Panel will come to an end at the closure of the twelfth session of the Plenary, scheduled for the beginning of 2026 when their successors will be elected.

In accordance with Rule 26 of the rules of procedure, candidates for the MEP are to be **proposed by members of the Platform for nomination by the regions and elected by the Plenary**. National focal points are invited to submit their proposals for candidate by completing the nomination form at <https://www.ipbes.net/nomination-mep-ipbes12> including the submission of a curriculum vitae of the nominee by **30 September 2025**.

The guidance note available [here](#) provides all necessary information on the nomination and selection process, including information on who is eligible for re-election among the current members.

I would like to draw your attention to the importance of scientific excellence for all nominees in a diversity of natural and social science disciplines related to biodiversity and ecosystem services.

All nominations received will be made available at <https://www.ipbes.net/mep-nominees-ipbes12>

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

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Neville Ash'.

Neville Ash | Officer-in-Charge
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