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Dear IPBES National Focal Points, Observers, Stakeholders and Friends,

IPBES Pollinators Assessment Now Available

I am very pleased to inform you that all chapters, and their executive summaries, of the IPBES thematic *Assessment on Pollinators, Pollination and Food Production* are now available to download on the IPBES website at <https://goo.gl/QKpaZ4>. An attractive, laid-out version of this document is also being prepared and will be made available online soon.

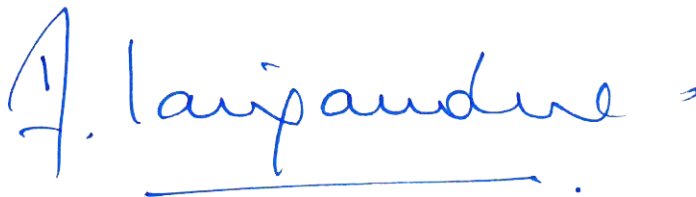
My sincere thanks go to everyone who has contributed to this important first thematic output – especially the Co-Chairs, authors and our technical support unit. The assessment is a valuable global resource, which is already helping to inform and shape national action through better, science-led policy.

You may have seen that, earlier this week, the French Minister of Environment, Energy and the Sea, Ségolène Royal, hosted a high-level event on pollination, in Paris, at which the IPBES Assessment was highlighted as a key reference for action in support of pollination services across France (<https://goo.gl/RseqWe>).

Over the course of the next week, major new articles will be published in both *Science* and *Nature*, building on the work of the Assessment, and we will also be hosting an IPBES pollination side-event in the margins of the CBD COP13 in Mexico, on Tuesday, 6 December 2016, presenting key finding and messages from the Assessment, with a focus on informing national action plans and implementation.

I would like to please urge you to share the report and its Summary for Policymakers (SPM) as widely as possible with your networks, institutions and associates. We count on your assistance to help ensure its widest possible reach and greatest impact.

Thank you again and warm regards,



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Executive Secretary

