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The IPBES #GlobalAssessment of Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services, approved by the Plenary at #IPBES7 last week in Paris, is off to a very promising start with unprecedented media coverage, including, as of today, 23,150 online articles mentioning IPBES, in 6,272 online news sites/outlets, in 151 countries, and in 45 languages. Many thanks to all of those who have already contributed to this early success.

In order to keep up this momentum, we would like to ask you to continue supporting the uptake and use of the IPBES #GlobalAssessment, and, in so doing, to contribute to IPBES' work on capacity-building, communication and outreach.

A very concrete contribution to these efforts would be to arrange events supporting the uptake of the IPBES #GlobalAssessment by, for example, organising a stand-alone uptake event presenting the conclusions of the Assessment; adding, to a pre-existing event, a component on the IPBES #GlobalAssessment; or by pledging funds for activities supporting the uptake of the #GlobalAssessment. If support to such efforts is of interest, please help us by registering your intended uptake event/s or contributions by completing the form at [THIS LINK](#), where you will also find further information about the kinds of support that the IPBES secretariat could possibly offer to such events as well.

Should you wish to contribute to the uptake of other approved IPBES Assessments, you can register any such contributions through [THIS LINK](#).

Should you have any questions about our work on capacity-building or wish to register contributions to the implementation of the capacity-building rolling plan beyond the uptake of approved IPBES assessments, please contact the technical support unit on capacity-building at tsu.capacitybuilding@ipbes.net or visit www.IPBES.net.

The deadline for submitting contributions in terms of this call is **30 July 2019**.

The success of IPBES depends on drawing on existing capacities of experts and institutions from all over the world, and as such I would appreciate your assistance in distributing this call widely to colleagues, email lists and networks.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Anne Larigauderie". The signature is written in a cursive style and is enclosed within a light grey rectangular border.

Anne Larigauderie | Executive Secretary
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