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Call for Nominations for Officers and Executive Committee Members 31st CODATA General Assembly, Gaborone, Botswana, 9-10 November 2018

Dear CODATA Member Delegates and Task Group Members, Greetings!

As Chair of the CODATA *Nominating Committee* for 2014-18, I kindly request you to complete the attached Nomination Form in order to propose candidates for the following positions:

- President (to serve 2018-22)
- Vice-President (1-2 positions, to serve 2018-22)
- Ordinary Member (8 positions, to serve 2018-20)

Nominations and elections are an important opportunity for CODATA Members and Task Groups to influence the governance and strategic direction of the organisation. Please consider carefully your nominees and contribute actively to this process.

Nominations may be made by CODATA Members (National, Union, Co-Opted and Affiliate Members) as well as Task Groups. According to the CODATA constitution, any nominated candidate in receipt of nominations from four CODATA Members *must* be put on the provisional list. The nominating committee may use its judgment on whether to place a candidate with less than four nominations on the provisional list: 'The Nominating Committee must place on the Provisional List all nominations that have been proposed by at least 4 Parties pursuant to By-Law 4.1. In addition, to ensure there are candidates for all positions, including alternatives if so desired, the Nominating Committee may place on the Provisional List nominations which have been proposed by fewer than 4 Parties as well as names that the Nominating Committee has identified through its own deliberations.'

The deadline for nominations is **27 April 2018**.

By **11 May 2018**, the *Nominating Committee* will distribute to CODATA members a *Provisional List* of candidates for election to the Offices of President, Vice-President and eight places on the Executive Committee. There must be at least one candidate for each post. The *Nominating Committee* is authorised to solicit additional nominations to ensure that there are sufficient candidates for all positions.

It is the *Nominating Committee's* responsibility to ensure that all candidates meet the eligibility requirements.

After the deadline for nominations, additional candidates, in receipt of more than four nominations, may still be submitted until 28 September 2018, in order that delegates receive the definitive Official List by 5 October 2018.

Nominations should be sent by e-mail to the *Nominating Committee*, c/o Simon Hodson, CODATA Executive Director, at simon@codata.org

Yours sincerely,

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Professor Huadong GUO, CODATA Past-President and Chair of the Nominating Committee