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Dear representatives of the IUPAC National Adhering Organizations,

On June 4th, we will hold a Special Council meeting to decide on the future organizational structure of IUPAC. It will be a significant milestone in the 103-year history of the Union, concluding a three-year journey that started on July 11th, 2019, during our 50th General Assembly held in Paris. Many of you have taken part in that Council meeting that requested establishing a special working group to review our organizational structure: [https://iupac.org/actions-taken-at-iupac-council-and-bureau-paris-france-2019/](https://iupac.org/actions-taken-at-iupac-council-and-bureau-paris-france-2019/)

I would like to thank the numerous IUPAC volunteers who contributed to this three-year effort, including the members of the Review Group, Executive Committee and Bureau, and many others. In November 2021, following multiple meetings and extensive debates, the Bureau approved the proposed changes in our Statutes, Bylaws, and Standing Orders.

These long-overdue changes will benefit IUPAC in many ways, including improving our operational efficiency and financial structure, enabling the organization to meet the challenges and prospects of our second century. This is the strong opinion of all the Officers and Executive Committee members, who know first-hand, how vital it is to adopt these changes.

In a few days, you will receive some important information about the Special Council meeting and how the voting will be done. We will be using Election Runner, like during our last Council meeting. The system will be open for 72 h, so everybody will be able to cast their vote. Please exercise your right to vote because two-thirds of the maximum possible number of votes are needed to approve the changes.

I strongly encourage all of you to attend this historical Council meeting on June 4th and support the proposed changes.

Please do not hesitate to contact me anytime to talk about the proposed changes or if you have any questions. I will be delighted talk to you.

Best regards,

Javier García Martínez