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# Sustainable exploitation of the subsurface

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## REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN

The geology, engineering and environment of our underground asset

### Confirmed speakers include:

**Sir Mark Walport** (UK Government Chief Scientist)

### Convenors:

**Helen Reeves** (British Geological Survey)

**Ian Jefferson** (University of Birmingham)

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It has long been recognized that the subsurface is a complex, scarce and valuable resource. With urbanisation, society is now becoming more reliant on using the subsurface for physical infrastructure (e.g. underground networks such as utilities & transport) and for the storage and containment of resources (energy & water) and waste (CO<sub>2</sub> & Radioactive Waste), in order to provide the essential support to a well-functioning society. With this development comes increased pressure on space and resources and increasingly, underground development. Critical to accommodating this

is a requirement for a good understanding of the subsurface beneath our feet and importantly how the ground will respond now and in the future to various events (e.g. climate change &/or increased urbanization).

A two day meeting coordinated by the Geological Society of London & the UK IAEG National group will aim to bring together current thinking of the role the ground plays in providing a resilient underground resource.

