

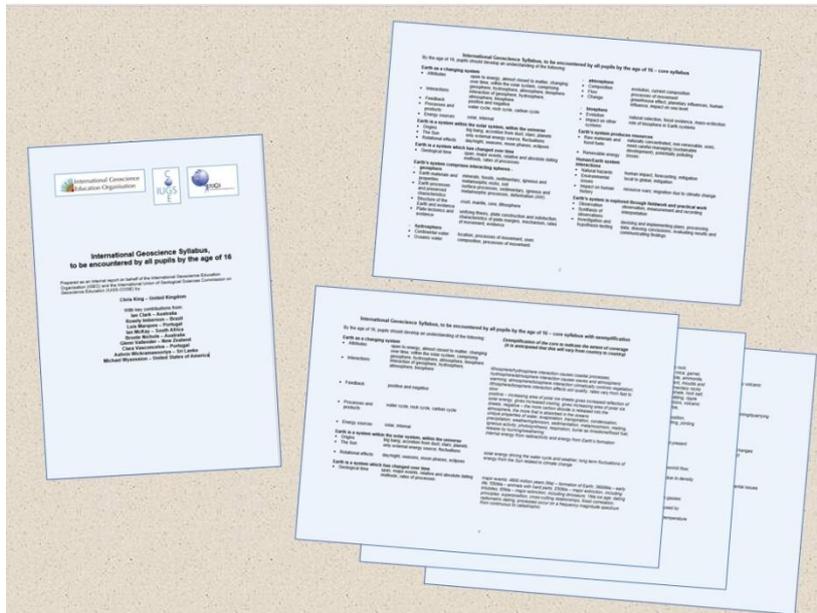
## IUGS Commission on Geoscience Education, Training and Technology Transfer

### Publication of Geoscience Textbook – to be adapted everywhere

The 'Exploring geoscience across the globe' textbook has been published for free on-line download at: <http://www.igeosci.org/teaching-resources/geoscience-text-books/>. The textbook covers all that an able sixteen year old student should know and understand about Earth science on leaving school (as published in the International Geoscience Syllabus at: <http://www.igeosci.org/activities/international-geoscience-syllabus/>). The book is published with the approval of the International Geoscience Education Organisation (IGEO), the International Union of Geological Sciences (IUGS) and the European Geosciences Union (EGU). Written in accessible English to be as jargon-free as possible, it uses a wide range of photographs and diagrams to provide explanations and examples.



The 'Exploring geoscience across the globe' textbook.



The International Geoscience syllabus.

Please publicise the publication of this textbook as widely as possible to encourage its use in schools and colleges and by those beginning undergraduate studies in geoscience.

The *'Exploring Geoscience Across the Globe'* textbook, has been designed as the basis of a new suite of regional textbooks around the world. Anybody is welcome to take this 'international version', with its wide range of photographs and geoscience areas of interest chosen from across the globe, and to transform it into a textbook for their own country, region or city. To do this, they should replace some of the international photos with photos from their own region and replace or add to the 'geoscience interest boxes' with their own local examples; they may also need to translate the text into their own language too. When published, this will provide a geoscience textbook, checked by experts, for their own region, maybe for the first time. Anyone is welcome to undertake this task, alone or as a member of a team, following the 'Code of conduct for *'Exploring Geoscience'* textbook regionalisers' – and we would encourage many people around the world to do so.

International surveys have shown that the quality of the geoscience in school textbooks around the world is only moderate or poor in most countries, and that some countries have no geoscience textbooks at all. Our initiative can offer an authoritative textbook to students and teachers in countries across the globe. This is an opportunity to enhance geoscience education globally – so join us to make this happen.

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