



Chief Executive

The British Geological Survey (BGS) is an applied geoscience research centre, housed in UK Research and Innovation (UKRI) and affiliated to the Natural Environment Research Council (NERC). As a world-leading geological survey, the BGS has an extensive programme of geoscience research, survey and monitoring services, and data management and dissemination projects. The BGS focuses on public-good science, whilst supporting government science, in order to predict the geological processes that matter to peoples' lives. The BGS is funded directly by UKRI as well as through research grants and via private sector contracts. Given significant shifts in environmental concerns, urban landscapes and digital innovations, the BGS is at an exciting juncture in its development.

The appointed candidate will report to the Chair of the BGS Board and Professor Duncan Wingham as Executive Chair of NERC. This person will be working at the cutting edge of geological science across a breadth of programmes, particularly centring on advances in decarbonisation and subsurface energy, environmental change adaptation and global geological risk. They will be responsible for an annual budget of close to £60 million and 650 colleagues. The BGS is split across two main sites, with a head office in Keyworth near Nottingham, and the Lyell Centre in Edinburgh. The appointed candidate will be required to travel across BGS sites as well as travelling internationally.

The appointed candidate will be a dynamic and communicative leader, acting as an ambassador for the BGS across the organisation's 150 private-sector partners and 40 university collaborations as well as a range of other stakeholders and clients. Candidates will have a PhD and personal research reputation in an area relevant to the BGS. They will also have a significant — and inspirational — leadership track record across either academia, the public sector or the private sector. The appointed candidate will demonstrate sound financial and commercial acumen, alongside an affinity with BGS core values.

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