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## The Africa Groundwater Atlas project

The Africa Groundwater Atlas is an online resource that provides an introduction to the groundwater resources of 52 African countries, and a gateway to further information. It was developed through the [Unlocking the Potential for Groundwater for the Poor](#) (UPGro) research programme.

UPGro is jointly funded by UK's [Department for International Development](#) (DFID) (UK Aid), the [Natural Environment Research Council](#) (NERC) and the [Economic and Social Research Council](#) (ESRC). The UPGro programme focuses on improving the evidence base around groundwater availability and management in sub-Saharan Africa to enable developing countries and partners in sub-Saharan Africa to use groundwater in a sustainable way in order to benefit the poor.

Outputs from the Africa Groundwater Atlas project are:

- This web-based Atlas summarising the hydrogeology of 52 African countries in maps and text, with links to further information; and
- An [Africa Groundwater Literature Archive](#) with information on all of Africa, searchable by country and keywords. For more background on the Archive click [here](#).

The Atlas has been developed in collaboration with the International Association of Hydrogeologists (IAH) [Burdon Network for International Development](#), and with more than 50 groundwater scientists across Africa, who have co-authored country summaries. A full list of contributing authors is [here](#).

## Comments and feedback

We would welcome any comments and feedback you may have about the Atlas. The Atlas is still in development and we plan to continue to update the Atlas as further information becomes available. Therefore, if you notice any errors in the Atlas, or would like to contribute additional content to the Atlas please get in touch! Email us at [AfricaGWAtlas@bgs.ac.uk](mailto:AfricaGWAtlas@bgs.ac.uk).

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