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ALEXANDRIA, Va. — The American Geosciences Institute (AGI) and Geoscience Australia have launched a new website for AusGeoRef, a bibliographic database for Australian geoscience literature since the mid-19th century.

The new website features expanded functionality, including a geographic search view option, as well as the abilities to set up individual accounts and to easily save and share lists of references.

Launched in 2003 as a cooperative arrangement between AGI and Geoscience Australia, AusGeoRef now includes references to a growing database of more than 200,000 journal articles, books, maps, conference papers, reports, and theses. Explore these references through the new and improved AusGeoRef website now at http://ausgeoref.americangeosciences.org/.

Geoscience Australia's acting Chief Science Information Officer Tanya Whiteway said Geoscience Australia is proud to have been a partner with AGI on AusGeoRef for the past 15 years, contributing more than 35,000 records of new Australian geoscience publications to the database in that time.

"Our own scientists use both AusGeoRef and GeoRef regularly to locate references not included in any other earth sciences databases. We believe the new features being announced today will make AusGeoRef even more essential to searchers of Australian literature in the geosciences," Whiteway said.

Want to use AusGeoRef but don't want to pay a subscription? Day passes are now available for select GeoRef databases, including AusGeoRef. Learn more at https://store.americangeosciences.org/ausgeoref-database-day-pass.html.

About GeoRef

The GeoRef database, established by the American Geosciences Institute in 1966, provides access to the geoscience literature of the world. GeoRef is the most comprehensive database in the geosciences and continues to grow by more than 100,000 references a year. The database contains over 4 million references to geoscience journal articles, books, maps, conference papers, reports and theses. Learn more at https://www.americangeosciences.org/georef.

About Geoscience Australia

Geoscience Australia (GA) is Australia's pre-eminent public sector geoscience organisation. The work of Geoscience Australia addresses a diverse range of issues across key strategic priorities including Australia's mineral and energy resources, natural hazards, water resources, marine jurisdictions, and fundamental geographic information. GA is also custodian and champion of the nation's geosciences knowledge base and capabilities enabling evidence-based decisions and policy development by government, industry and the Australian community. It is based in Canberra, Australian Capital Territory.

About AGI

The American Geosciences Institute (AGI) is a nonprofit federation of 52 scientific and professional associations that represents more than a quarter-million geoscientists. Founded in 1948, AGI provides geoscientists with access to scholarly information, serves as a voice of shared interests in the profession, plays a major role in strengthening geoscience education, and strives to increase public awareness of the vital role the geosciences play in society's use of resources, resiliency to natural hazards, and

health of the environment.

AGI is a not-for-profit 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to serving the geoscience community and addressing the needs of society. AGI headquarters are in Alexandria, Virginia.

The American Geosciences Institute represents and serves the geoscience community by providing collaborative leadership and information to connect Earth, science, and people.

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