

Aspiring adventurers and explorers are to benefit from the arrival at the Royal Geographical Society (with IBG) of a new Land Rover Freelander 2 to support Geography Outdoors, the society's world-leading centre for research, exploration and outdoor learning.

The vehicle, which has been donated by Land Rover UK, will enable Geography Outdoors to spread the word on exploration and field research to budding adventurers, explorers and field scientists. It will also be used to provide training for people running or planning their own expeditions in the UK and overseas.

The vehicle was presented at Geography Outdoors' recent Explore 2007 event – part of its annual programme of seminars and workshops which brings specialists and beginners together to provide information and training for expedition planners and field researchers. The vehicle will go on to support events throughout the UK, ranging from visits to schools to research and fieldwork support.

John Edwards, managing director of Land Rover UK, commented: "The donation of the Geography Outdoors Freelander 2 is part of our long-standing support and relationship with the RGS-IBG which spans over 30 years."

For further information on Geography Outdoors' annual programme of seminars and workshops, visit www.rgs.org.