In many places in Germany, the utilisation of deep geothermal energy is a climate and environmentally friendly alternative to fossil fuels, which is available regardless of the time of day or season and requires only a small amount of space.

Whether a geothermal project is successful or not depends very much on the subsurface geological conditions. That is why site selection is crucial when planning new facilities.

The utilisation of geothermal energy is only economical if enough hot water can be produced from a well. Existing data, maps and 3D models provide an important source of information for new projects that also play a significant role in the planning of geological and geophysical exploration activities.

In the past, finding and editing relevant maps and data sets was very time consuming and difficult. Therefore, in 2006, the Leibniz Institute for Applied Geophysics (LIAG) in Hanover started the development of the Geothermal Information System for Germany (GeotIS).

The German Federal Government funded the work on GeotIS with the objective to reduce the exploration risk and facilitate access to information that enable an assessment of geothermal resources.
The LIAG has carried out research in the field of geothermal energy for more than 50 years. With GeotIS, the institute operates a freely accessible geothermal information system since 2007, which is used as a digital geothermal atlas by universities and research institutes as well as project planners and investors.

GeotIS provides an overview of geothermal facilities that are currently in operation or under construction in Germany. For each facility, details such as installed capacity or heat and power production can be retrieved.

The data is updated annually and those interested can learn how the use of deep geothermal energy has evolved over the years.

GeotIS provides many geological and geophysical data that are critical to finding new sites, for example the temperature and permeability of deep aquifers. These data are also provided by the institute free of charge and are continuously updated.

Users can select data that are relevant to them and display them interactively in maps or profile sections.

### DATA BASE
- drilling data from approximately 30,000 wells
- temperature data from approximately 11,000 wells, 10,500 of them in Germany (Geophysics Information System FIS GP)
- hydraulic data
- geological structural data

### FEATURES
- dynamic generation of interactive maps, combination of technical information with topographical and statistical data
- presentation of distribution, temperature and depth of relevant geological formations
- soil and deep subsurface temperatures
- further technical data, i.a. location and meta data of wells and seismic surveys, salt structures, facies, hydraulic conductivity of formations

### GEOThERMAL INSTALLATIONS
- subdivision according to different types of use
- filter options
- annual update of the data of larger installations
- data sheet with details for each facility
- updated energy statistics for deep geothermal energy