

Brazilian Constitution

■ Federal Government:
Superficial water located in more than one State

■ Eg: São Francisco River



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States: Superficial water, located in only one State

Eg: Tietê River, State of São Paulo



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But:
 groundwater:
 under the
 Federal States
 responsibility
 and control



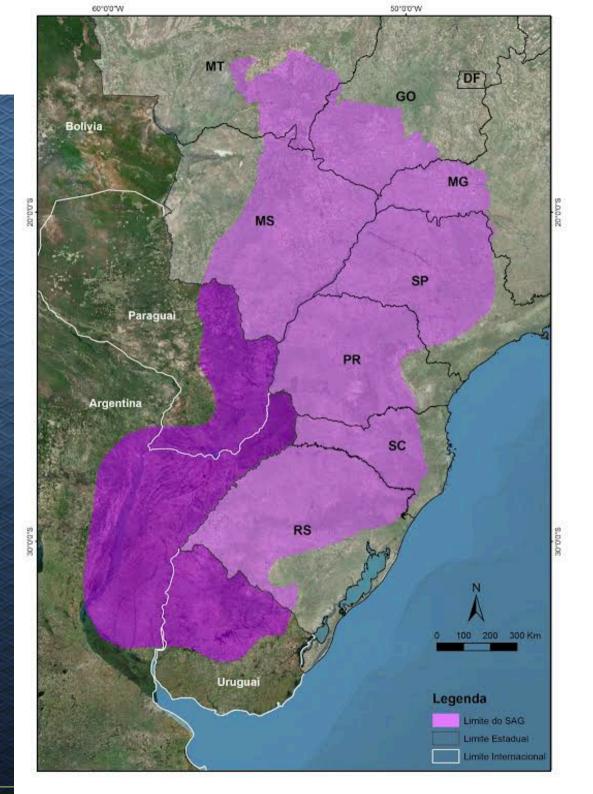
GUARANI AQUIFER

Four Nations: Brazil, Argentina, Uruguay and Paraguay



Guarani Aquifer

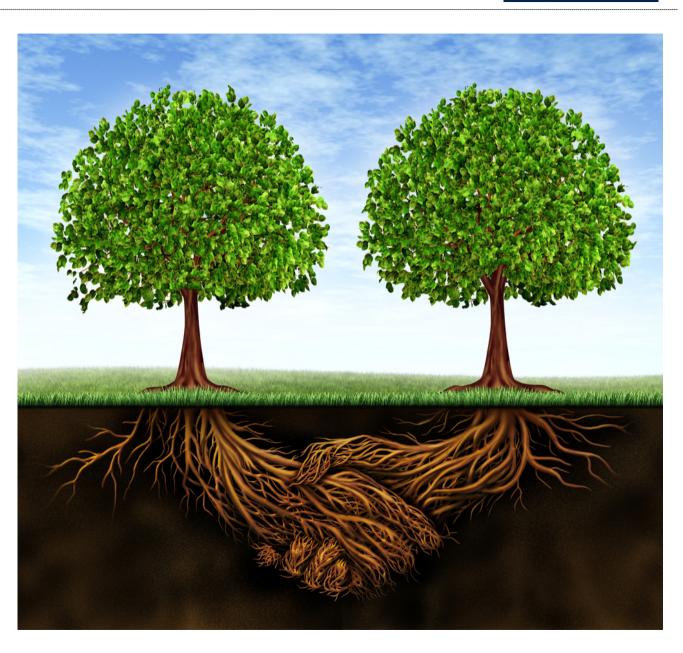
In Brazil: 8 Federal States: each one has the competence to manage the resource



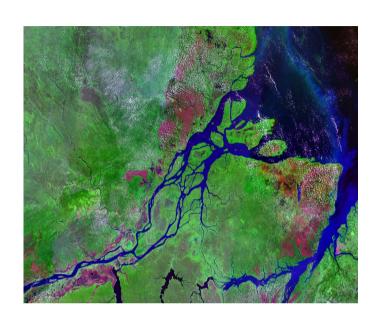
Water National Counsil



- General rules about underground water management: cooperation between the Federal States
- But: competence to implement the management: only the Federal States



Federal States Competence in Underground Water

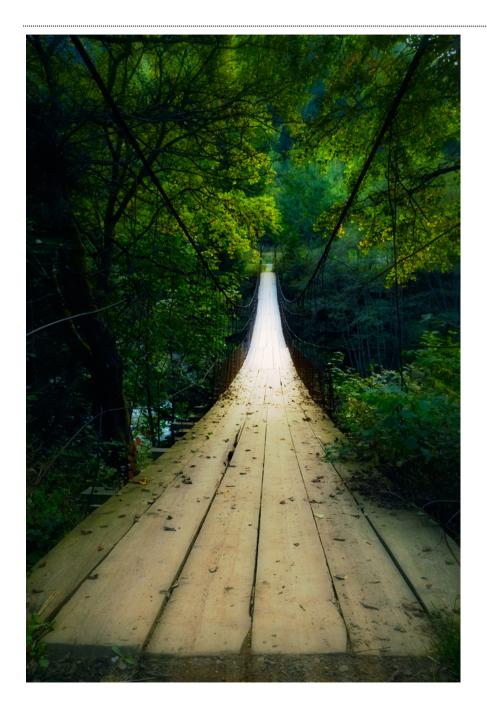


- To implement the water management instruments: data system, planning, using authorization, protection, control
- To stablish specific rules (procedures) about underground use, protection and control

Cooperation is Strategic

States must organize together the underground water management, even if they have complete jurisdiction over it in their own territory





Thank You

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