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Water Resources Governance in Brazil

The report was launched on 2 September 2015 in Brasilia, Brazil by Luiz De Mello, Deputy-Director for Governance and Territorial Development, OECD in the presence of Vicente Andreu, President of the National Water Agency, Francisco Gaetani, Executive Secretary of the Ministry for Environment, Ambassador José Antônio Marcondes de Carvalho, representing the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, and 100+ Brazilian stakeholders from public, private and non-profit sectors.

Water is abundant in Brazil, but unevenly distributed across regions. Remarkable progress has been achieved since the 1997 National Water Law; but economic, climate and urbanisation trends generate threats that may jeopardize national growth and development. The consequences are particularly acute in regions where tensions across water users already exist or are likely to grow.

The report is the result of a Policy Dialogue with more than 100 stakeholders at different levels in Brazil. It assesses the performance of Brazil's water governance and suggests policy recommendations for strengthening the co-ordination between federal and state water policies and for setting up more robust water allocation regimes that can better cope with future risks. The report concludes with an action plan, which suggests concrete milestones and champion institutions to implement those recommendations.

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