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Integrated Urban Water Resources Management and Policy

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The water supplied to urban settlements is called urban water. Urban water is expected to meet specific requirements, presupposes careful governance, including policy-making and implementation processes. Policies include various decisions form the framework of CPR. The implementation process includes all the required actions and procedures aimed at realizing a policy. It is evident that policy decisions and implementation procedures are interlaced and interactive. Water pricing influences the choice of resources used, the required system capacity, and the demand. Likewise, the tariff structure influences attitudes and efficiency, which also influences the management of resources. The scope of the SI comprises the study of the interactions involved in the policy-making and implementation procedures of urban water supply systems. This includes, an integrated model based on optimization theory, systems theory, game theory, computational sociology, or a holistic survey regarding the acceptability of solutions, public participation, habits, and their influences on the system. The objective is to provide tools and knowledge that help to achieve better governance of the systems.

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