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→ Challenges of financing IWRM, Implementation in France
France: 1964 Water Law: Basin Institutions

- Basin Committee: a "Water Parliament"
- Water Agency: a financing institution at river basin level

Water charges (water consumption, pollution, …)

Implementation of Polluter pays principle

Financial action programmes (6 years) → 12 billion euros (2009-2015)

Subsidies (grants & loans) (treatments, river restoration, …)

Redistribution according to priorities in the basin

Financial support to WFD programmes of measures

Elected officials

State representatives

Stakeholders