

# Shared Management of Resources: A Pioneer Experience on Water

**40 years of transboundary governance of the Geneva  
aquifer « nappe du Genevois » (1978-2018)**



To secure the sustainable management of a vital resource, the Canton of Geneva (Switzerland) and the Prefecture of Haute-Savoie (France) signed an agreement in 1978 for the protection and joint exploitation of the Geneva aquifer ("nappe du Genevois").

It was then the very first transboundary deal of this kind at a global level.

In 2018, the French-Geneva agreement celebrates 40 years of successful cooperation. In this frame and under the initiative of the Joint Management Committee of "nappe du Genevois", the State of Geneva, the French authorities and the Services Industriels de Genève (SIG) are organising:

## A one-day seminar on The various stakes related to the transboundary governance of a natural resource

**Thursday November the 29th 2018 in Geneva**

followed by a visit of the artificial recharge site  
in the morning of Friday November the 30th

This event is a great opportunity to value and share the experience and expertise gained in the frame of the management of the aquifer, one of the most sophisticated governance model in this field that has already generated interest at a regional and global level.

This will be done in a participative way by addressing the topics of the stakes related to governance, collaboration and technical issues, legal aspects and international law frameworks, and finally, the perspectives for a joint, equitable and sustainable management of water resources.

**Target audience: practitioners and specialists involved in water management (manager, civil servant, legal expert, etc.)**

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**NB: This event is free of charge but registration is mandatory. Exchanges will be held in French with simultaneous interpretation in English.**

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