SIX CHALLENGE QUESTIONS INTO SUSTAINABLE TRANSBOUNDARY AQUIFERS

Panel 2: Estrategias cooperativas sobre Agua Subterránea

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Challenge question one....

How has cooperation among GW institutions change over time at the border?

Three levels and speeds...

Government: High-Medium-Low

Binational Challenge: Put them together

Academia: Funding speed & Faculty Interest

Society: Most Complex

The most complex of all: Requires Mix solutions from all of the above
Challenge question 2...
What challenges do institutions currently face when managing GW?

Unfortunately, “Many”.

From a binational perspective, uncertainty and untruthful messages from central governments (both US/MX) are limiting local efforts.

Challenge question 3...
How do you see institutions involve in GW management over the next 5 years?

Individually on each country with limiting efforts to have a “common” binational environment to take care and presently we are “competing” to see who wins the “water wars”; however, at the end of the road, no one wins...
Challenge question 4....

What opportunities do you see for increasing cooperation between GW users?

- **Politics**
  - Presently, not a good perspective

- **Funding**
  - Most challenging and reducing in future

- **Organization**
  - Need society empowerment

- **Holistic perspective**
  - An inclusive perspective is needed
Challenge question 5....

What forms of cooperation do you see in the future?

3 I’s of a potential future solution

- Information
- Involvement
- Investment
My message.....

Hopefully, networks (Governments-Academia-Society), can in the future, change the perspective of...

“Whisky is for drinking, and water is for fighting”...into...

“Tequila is for celebrating...sustainable binational watersheds”