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Water institutional reforms: theory and practice

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Abstract

This paper aims to set the stage with an outline of the conceptual, analytical and theoretical aspects of water institutional reforms and a synthesis of the main findings from the reform experiences of six countries: Australia, Chile, Morocco, Namibia, South Africa and Sri Lanka. Utilizing the latest developments in the literature on the subject, this paper presents the analytics of unbundling water institutions to show their endogenous and exogenous linkages, the transaction cost approach as a diagnostic framework for understanding the role of factors affecting water institutions, and a stage-based perspective to provide insights into the internal mechanics and dynamics evident in the process of water institutional change. Using this analytical framework and theoretical approach, this paper also identifies a few practically relevant principles for reform design and implementation. Based on a review of country reform experiences, the paper also synthesizes reform theories with actual practices by providing anecdotal evidence for various theoretical postulates and practical reform principles.

Keywords: Australia; Chile; Institutional environment; Institutional packaging; Institutional sequencing; Institutional structure; Morocco; Namibia; Political economy; South Africa; Sri Lanka; Subjective theory; Theories of institutional change; Transaction cost approach; Water institutional change; Water sector reform

1. Introduction

The institutional arrangements governing the water sector are undergoing remarkable changes in many countries around the world. Such changes, which have been observed, especially during the past decade or so, are due more to purposive reform programs than to the normal process of institutional evolution. Water institutional arrangements and their change process are well documented with varying details, contexts and perspectives (e.g. Le Moigne *et al.*, 1992;

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