

Fresh water is one of our most vital resources, but some nations have much greater access to it than others. That is partly down to the geographical good fortune of being sited upstream on a great river. But it is also because there is no functioning international treaty governing the sharing of transboundary waterways. In the age of mega-dams, downstream countries get water at the whim of their upstream neighbours.

There should be a treaty. The UN Convention on the Law of the Non-navigational Uses of International Watercourses was signed 15 years ago. It required countries to ensure the sustainable and equitable use of shared rivers. At the time, only three countries - China, Turkey and Burundi - voted against. All three are upstream countries on major rivers. But despite this apparent assent, only 24 nations have subsequently ratified it, 11 short of the threshold that would bring it into force. (...)

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