



Water Wars Abated: Mitigating Conflict in the Nile Basin through Eritrean Perspectives

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Abstract

The Nile Basin is a critical water resource for over 100 million people across ten countries, including Eritrea. Water scarcity and its exacerbation of conflicts have been recurring issues in this region. No empirical data was analysed; instead, a qualitative approach was employed to examine existing literature and expert opinions on conflict mitigation strategies in the region. While Eritrea holds a pivotal role in managing the Nile Basin's water resources, current conflict mitigation efforts require more robust institutional frameworks and international cooperation to be effective. Eritrea should advocate for regional institutions that facilitate equitable water distribution, while also engaging in diplomatic dialogues with other riparian states to foster trust and mutual understanding.

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