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# **Brazil - Towards a Professional Water Training Center**

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A new step forward in the cooperation between France and Brazil was taken in May 2013, by organizing a seminar and a technical visit in the Rio Grande do Sul (RGS), the southernmost Brazilian State, which encounters a paradoxical situation : since 1988, it has been housing the oldest Basin Committee in Brazil, which meets every month as the 25 other committees created since, but there is not yet a Basin Agency, while the Law for its establishment was passed in 1994. The partners defined a cooperation program for the years 2014-2015, with the aim to help the Basin Committees of Rio Grande do Sul to overcome technical and institutional difficulties that hinder better implementation of Integrated Water Resources Management.