Remunicipalisation of water: It works - putting water back in public hands - experience of Buenos Aires and Paris

(7 March 2013) Many unions, water activists and others are working to bring back the water system in public hands. The experience with privatised water services is not good as prices increase, quality does not improve, investment are not made and citizens feel they are paying for the profit margins of faraway shareholders. Some of the activists in Buenos Aires and Paris have brought together their experiences to assist others so they can learn in a video (YouTube). It is also linked to a book that has many more examples.

Groundbreaking motion design documentary puzzle about cities reversing water privatization to regain public control. This video explores water 'remunicipalisation' in Buenos Aires and Paris, looking at the challenges and benefits of reclaiming public water. It calls on citizens worldwide to mobilize around this option.

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