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Analysis of Bordering Counties in Sao Paulo State and Oil Exploration from the Perspective of Integral Sustainability

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Abstract

After the discoveries of the region known as "pre-salt" in 2007, the Brazilian government has changed some of the Brazilian laws with the aim of capturing the maximum of the rents arising from the exploration and production of hydrocarbons in this area. The topic discussed here is crucial for the country because the wealth coming from national oil reserves are finite. The oil and natural gas wealth can make a big difference in countries which use those natural resources wisely, for example, Norway has been seen as a good example of how an efficient and clear oil and natural wealth management can become sustainable over time. In this sense, this article aims to analyze the institutional profile of the bordering counties in Sao Paulo state, one of the areas that possibly receive greater amount of income within Brazil in the coming years. The methodology is based on case study by qualitative analysis of development with a focus on socioeconomic profile and potential of the region studied. As a result, the article points out that each beneficiary city should look its own public needs, calling its inhabitants to conduct educational and health programs that are important to that county in order to make the wealth derived from oil sustainable.

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