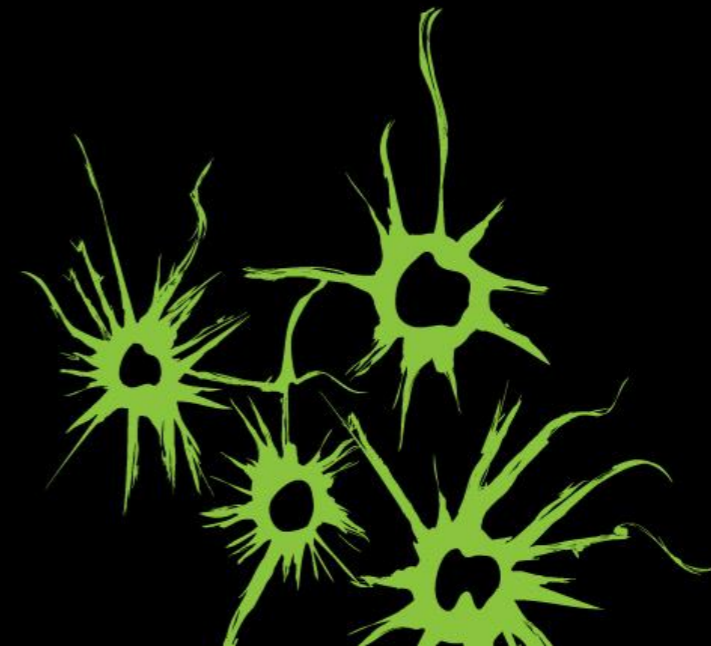
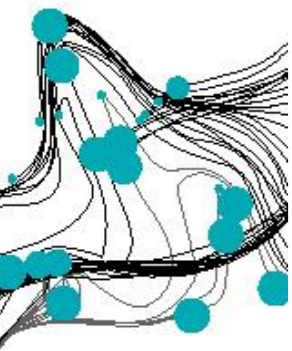


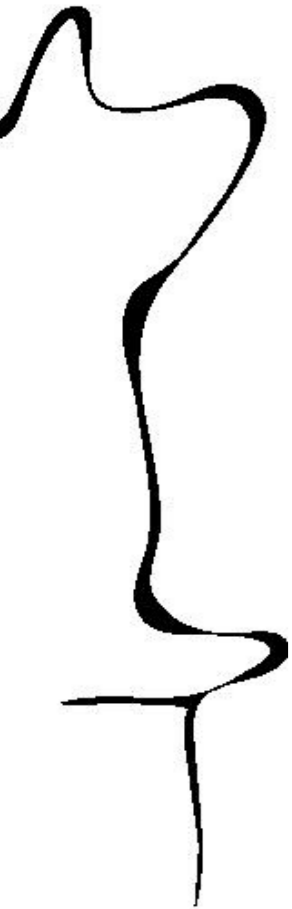
Governance assessment of the wastewater treatment policy in Central Mexico

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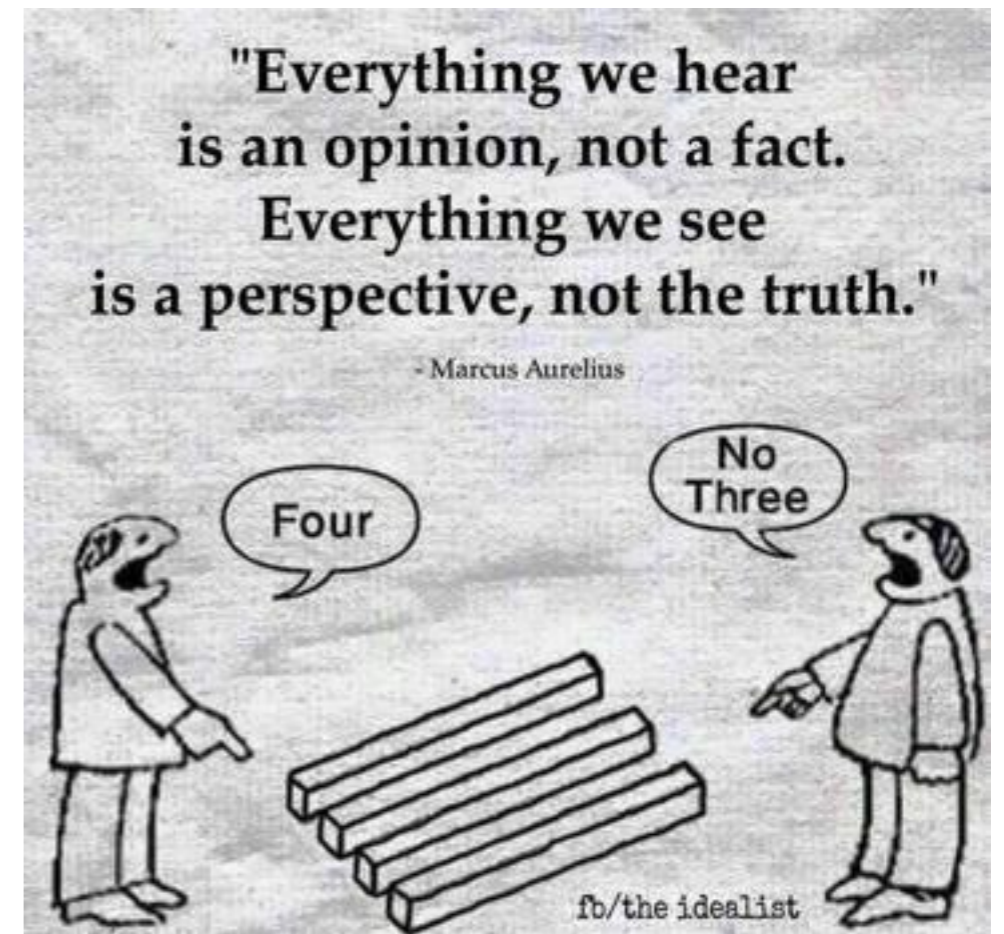




Research objective and question

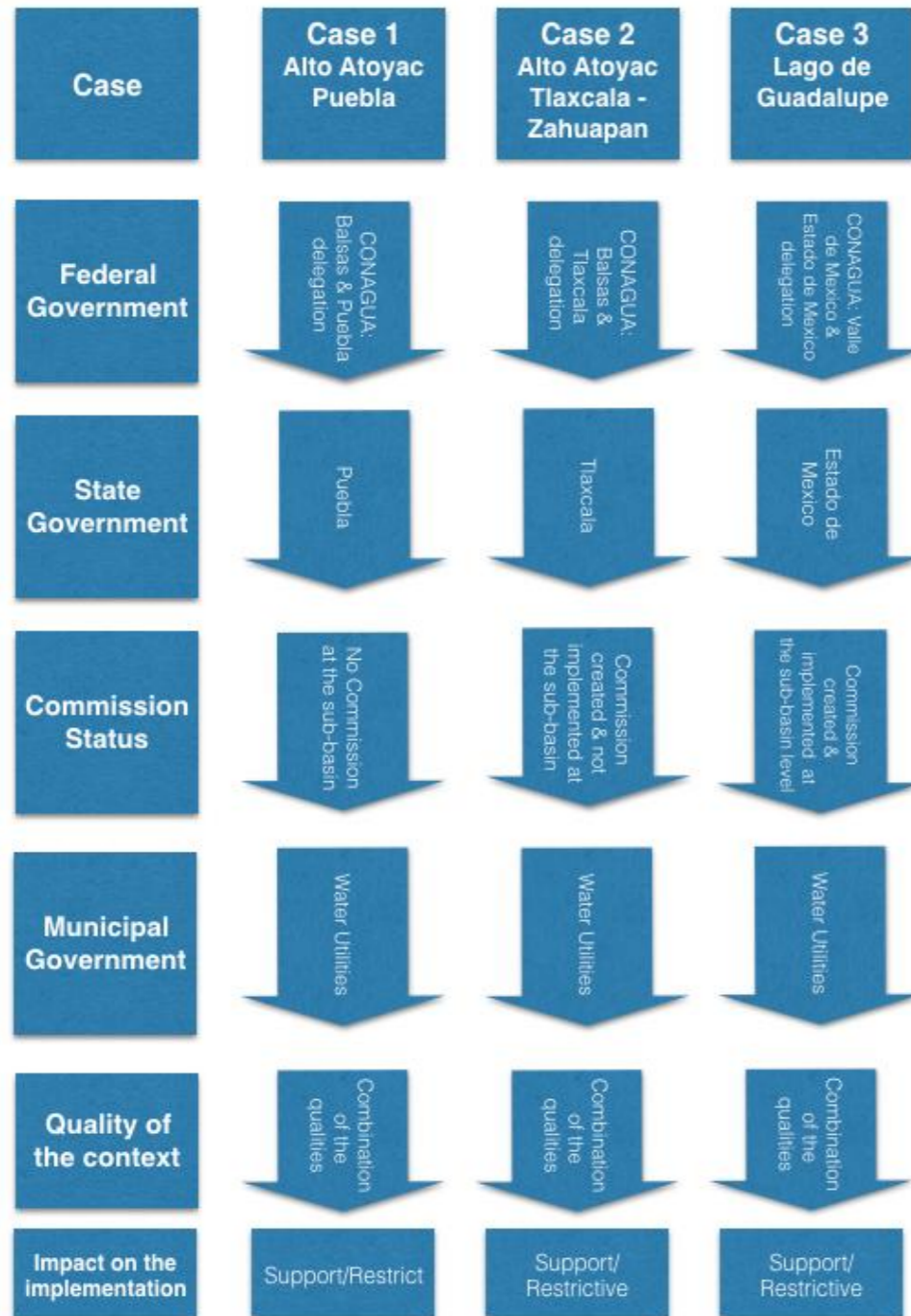


- ✦ Two aims using the Governance Assessment Tool (based on the Contextual Interaction which divides the descriptive and semi-normative qualities of the governance context):
 - ✦ Assess the governance context
 - ✦ Develop the impact of low extent
- ✦ How do the qualities of the governance (extent, coherence, flexibility and intensity) support or restrict the implementation of the wastewater treatment policy towards an improvement in the water quality status?



Stakeholders' opinion

Methodology



Governance Dimension	Qualities of the governance regime			
	Extent	Coherence	Flexibility	Intensity
Levels & Scales	What are the levels involve dealing with the issue? Are there any important gaps or missing levels?	Do these levels work together and do they trust each other? To what degree is the mutual dependence recognised?	Is it possible to move up and down levels (upscaling and downscaling) given the issue at stake?	Is there a strong impact from a certain level towards behavioural change or management reform?
Actors & Networks	Are all relevant stakeholders involved? Who are excluded?	What is the strength of interactions between stakeholders? In what way are these interactions institutionalised in stable structures? Do the stakeholders have experience in working together? Do they trust and respect each other?	Is it possible that new actors are included or even that lead shifts from one actor to another when there are pragmatic reasons for this? Do the actors share in social capital allowing them to support each other's task?	Is there a strong impact from an actor or actor coalition on towards behavioural change or management reform?
Problem Perspectives & Goal Ambitions	To what extent are the various problem perspectives taken into account?	To what extent do the various goals support each other, or Are they in competition or conflict?	Are there opportunities to re-assess goals?	How different are the goal ambitions from the status quo?
Strategies & Instruments	What types of instruments are included in the policy strategy and are implemented and which are excluded?	To what extent is the incentive system based on synergy? Are there any overlaps or conflicts of incentives created by the included policy instruments?	Are there opportunities to combine or make use of different types of instrument? Is there a choice?	What is the implied behavioural deviation from current practice and How strongly do the instruments require and enforce this?
Responsibilities & Resources	Are responsibilities clearly assigned and sufficiently facilitated with resources?	To what extent do the assigned responsibilities create competence struggles or cooperation within or across institutions?	To what extent is it possible to pool the assigned responsibilities and resources as long as accountability and transparency are not compromised? When the resources are combined, are there effective mechanisms for accountability?	Is the amount of allocated resources sufficient to implement the measures needed for the intended change?