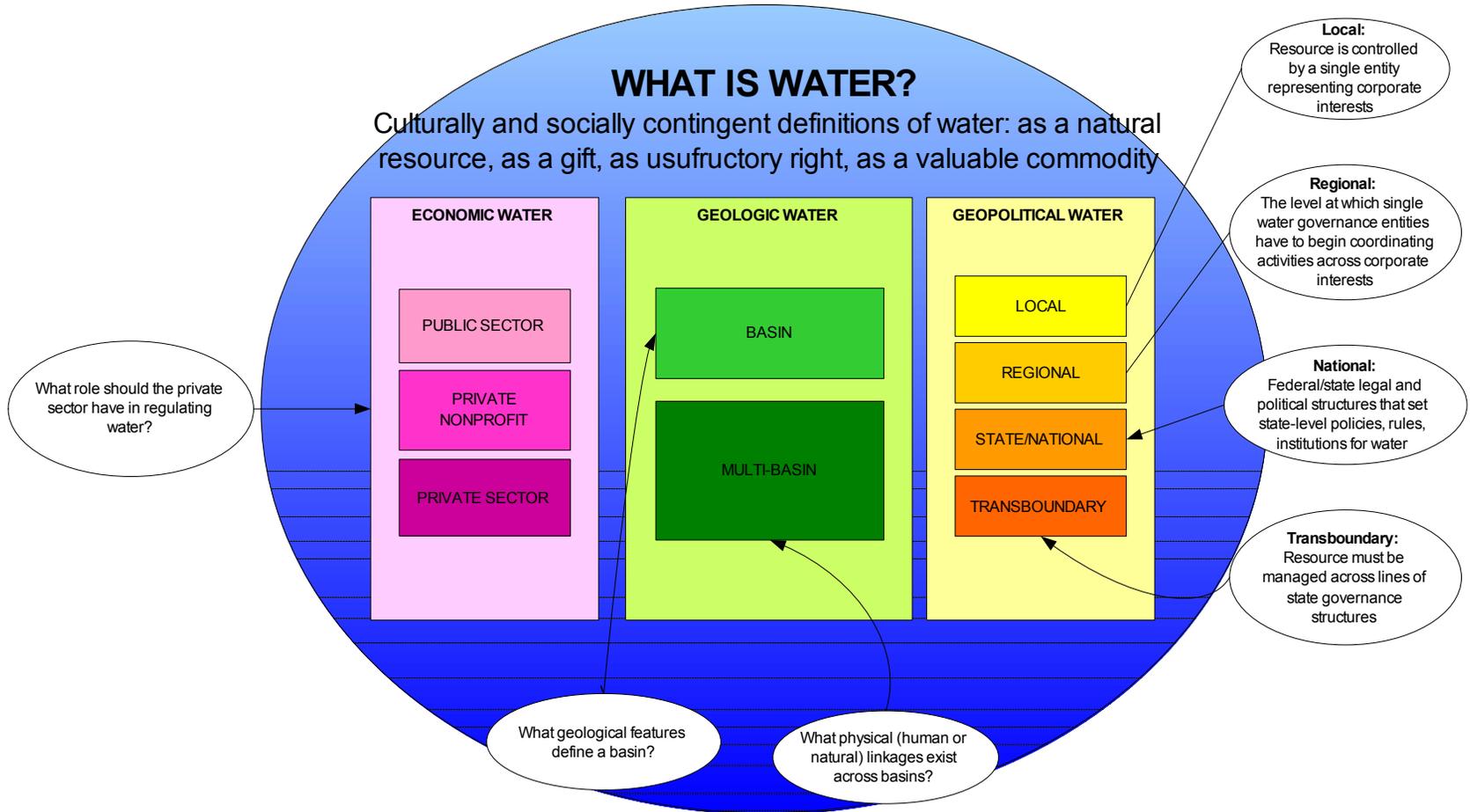


# WHAT IS WATER?

Culturally and socially contingent definitions of water: as a natural resource, as a gift, as usufructory right, as a valuable commodity



## EFFECTIVE GOVERNANCE :

Continuous balancing of multiple and competing demands on water, including agricultural, industrial, urban and environmental, while ensuring quality of resource, within constraints of geologic and climatological supply

RESEARCH: To map the terrain of water governance structures throughout the world, to understand models for assembling these elements  
To identify and explain failures of governance  
To develop better tools for effective governance