

Editorial

This issue is the completing number (Autumn 2011) of the Journal's Volume 1. Editors are glad to state a fact that the process of implementing the basic principles and developmental goals laid for the evolution of the Biocosmological association is successful in general. This constructive vector of our development and maturation is especially valuable, for, in the 2012 we are planning to hold two scientific meetings (in Witten and Seoul) and, therefore, – a thorough and fruitful preparatory work is needed. This issue (which we introduce) is really encouraging in this respect.

Herein, we firstly represent the Biocosmological Triadic (Triune) approach that is substantially aimed at the realization of a universalizing scientific exploration. In this work, an attempt to conduct its thorough substantiation – from the different standpoints – but essentially starting from the achievements of Pitirim Sorokin's cyclic sociology is undertaken. Likewise, here the method of "essential metaphor" is introduced as the essential constituent of the new universalizing approach.

The next two works have a really cosmological nature. They attract the attention to themselves by covering a wide range of the issues under exploration. At the same time, their distinguishing feature is that the authors conduct a substantive (Bio)cosmological analysis and realize a profound insight into the nature of the objects of research. The work by Anna Makolkin, entitled as "Vicissitudes of Cosmology and Giordano Bruno's Discourse with Aristotle", – is precisely characterized by a deep intellectual penetration and dialectical analysis of its research topics. In a similar manner (of profound exploration that is extremely rare in the modern scientific milieu) and, in turn, in relation to the field of mainly physical and biological phenomena – the article by Cornelia Guja is presented. Its title: "The Informational Anthropological Cultural Model".

The next two articles are written in Russian. The paper entitled "Biocosmological synthesis of Platonism and Aristotelism in Byzantium" reflects the thorough and scrupulous study of the *Enneads* (the collection of writings of Plotinus). Its author, Johannes Scholasticus is fluent in eight languages (both Eastern and Western). Perhaps, therefore, the great success is that he chose Russian language for communicating the results of his research. The fact is that still some versions of the Russian translations of Plotinus are misleading (cannot be regarded as valid and reliable) and thus cannot efficiently serve the Russian-speaking scientific community in studying the ideas of Plotinus – the major representative of the ancient cosmology. Another paper, presented in Russian language belongs to the scientists from Penza city – Vladimir V. Drozhdin and Roman E. Zinchenko, who explore such a grand issue as "Premises for Creation and the Architecture of Self-Organizing Information Systems".

The two following papers mainly deal with the issues of ecology. Substantially, they are different in methodological respect. The work by Arthur Saniotis, entitled as "Analyzing Gregory Bateson's 'Ecological Intelligence': Where Bateson and Aristotle meet", – chiefly applies to the rational substantiation of the main principles

of the research and relies on scientific evidence. In turn, Jitendra Nath Sarker's study, titled "A Comparative Evaluation of Two Moral Approaches to Bio-Cosmology" – uses the bioethical standpoint (as the main) and addresses generally to "human beings as moral beings", stressing the value of the approach that is "based on the knowledge of self or soul and therefore, intuitive." Therefore, taken together, both works constitute a really valuable (comprehensive) foundation for the understanding of the issues under exploration.

Two more interesting articles are published in the section "Book Reviews". The work by Boris F. Chadov reviews the book "Introduction to the Systemic Medicine" that was created by Viktor K. Kozlov (President of the BCA) together with Sergey V. Yarilov. To the opinion of Boris Chadov, this work is "an event of modern medicine," and that therein "a clear and explicit statement of the major new idea is accompanied by all the signs of a correct moving forward in such a socially important area as medicine." The second book review, by Georges Chapouthier, reflects on the book "Traditional Chinese Medicine (TCM) and Metaphysics" written by Ming Wong. Both reviews are really important for us because they launch the process of essential discussion on the topics of the rational substantiation and integration (both theoretical and practical) of all the existing forms of medicine (conventional, alternative, systemic, integral, Biocosmological, etc.). This is a vital goal for the development of the BCA and the debate will continue into the next and subsequent issues of the journal "Biocosmology – neo-Aristotelism".

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