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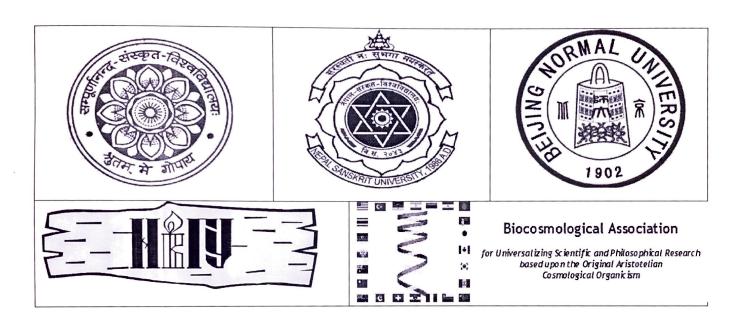
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Call for papers

The Integralist (holistic, organic, global) essence of our contemporary social and cultural world is now the hard reality. Still, however, we lack the true understanding and rational substantiation of this actual state of things. We even overlooked an internationally significant resource for that matter — the outstanding scholarly contribution by a Russian-American sociologist Pitrim A. Sorokin who had generated the outstanding Integralist conception, in sociology and culturology — brought out in the four-volume "Social and Cultural Dynamics" (1937-1941), which should not be given any less importance than (for instance) the Darwinian "The Origin of Species" or the Newtonian "Principia Mathematica". Therein, the distinguished scholar has revealed the Dynamic Triadic essence of the sociocultural world and generated the Triadological scholarly approach. Essentially, Sorokin's conception requires the equal study (on their own foundations) of the Three universal Types, but which are autonomic (independent from each other) in their internal organization — the Three Types of Dynamic sociocultural organization and evolution, thereby stressing the Triunity and Dynamic interrelation of the Three Types of all-encompassing supersystems: the polar Sensate and Ideational; and the intermediate

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Integral orders. The main conclusion of Sorokin's Dynamic theory is that the contemporary cultural world (mankind) has completed (yet in the 20th century) its quincentennial (of five hundred years) cycle of Sensate-(Materialistic)-Type superiority in sociocultural evolution; and inevitably the world process has entered the era of the next Integralist Type of domination in the world cultural evolving. The scholar stresses in his re-edited "Dynamics" (1957) that "The Western, Euro-American, peoples... they discharged their creative mission brilliantly, especially in the fields of science, technology, Sensate fine arts, politics, and economics." [Foreword]. However, and this is another essential finding of Sorokin's theorizing: "At the present time, however, the European monopolistic leadership can be considered as about ended... And the stars of the next acts of the great historical drama are going to be: besides Europe, the Americas, Russia, and renascent great cultures of India, China, Japan, Indonesia, and Islamic world." [Ibid.]

The topic of the 19ISBC aims at the direct contribution to achieving the promotion of Organic (as opposed to Dualist) types of scholarly endeavors in the contemporary cultural milieu. At the same time, as intentionally designed - "learning to be Integralist" acts alternatively to the 24WCP agenda "Learning to be human". Indeed, although humanism has made impressive advancements and the outstanding progress over the past centuries - however, it can be argued at present that humanism has exhausted, to a large extent, its historical potential (rather, evolutionary dynamics - for the on-going mankind's sociocultural relevant activities and evolvement). In actual practice, it has been authoritatively recognized (at the global level) that the cultural world entered an era of global transformations, so-called the Time of 'tectonic shifts' of the worldview culturological pillars. These essential findings may be discovered, for instance, in the final documents of Iran's President Hassan Rouhani meeting face-to-face with the Pope Francis, in January 2016; in the recent speeches by the Russian President; in the findings of an important Report to the Club of Rome (prepared for the Club of Rome's 50th Anniversary in 2018); etc. Finally, the Chinese Cultural Initiative, announced in the 2016 - of starting the building of the really peaceful world of Shared Future and Common Destiny for Mankind - has the actually crucial significance. First and foremost, this great, really peaceful Initiative urgently calls for the generation of relevant rational foundations - to appropriately meet the challenges of a new era in the world history, thereby first and foremost realizing the foundations for the needed types of Organic mentality, which is essential for the currently unfolding Integralist era of our world history.

Substantially, Biocosmological (Organicist and Integralist) endeavors are the required pressing response on the generally accepted (treated as the only possible) mode of modern scientific (rational) thinking – of the Dualist essence. The latter is the type of the Dualist mentality that is being in place since its Western launching and further recognition in the 17th century, and the consequent victorious march worldwide, and wherein the world conceptually is divided into the two opposed and contrasted entities, thereby inevitably having an effect of the Dualist confrontation between (conscious) man and (mechanistic) nature. The Dualist approach in rational thinking, although having generated the essential scientific-technological progress and the vital sociocultural changes, but it has eventually overshadowed and replaced other forms of mentalities and brought about the current so-called "cosmological insufficiency" (the lack of Organic – Organicist and Integralist – types of thinking in the minds of modern scholars, cultural and political figures); and the latter is a serious threat to the entire mankind's safe, peaceful and well-being future. In other words, following exclusively the Dualist way of evolvement – the international community runs the risk of having been deadlocked into self-destruction. Actually, as the wisdom says, "the better is often times the enemy of good" – having started from useful withstanding Nature (for the sake of technological progress), modern Man now has arrived at the level of

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opposing to his own secure and sustainable future (for he is always the constituent and instrument – the *Organon* – of Nature-Kosmos; and not *vice versa*).

Urgently, therefore, there is a need for an agenda aimed at transformative change of the foundations of rationality that have the essence of natural laws and are comprehensible for each sane man, and which really can be focused on the overall objectives and the inherent results-based approaches, and organized within the Common Destiny activities that lead to a Shared (secure and sustainable) Future. The Biocosmological Association is firmly convinced of the need to evolve the Triadological approach to pursuing the contemporary scholarly endeavors – in achieving the above objectives. In turn, at present, we are sure – central importance in addressing the challenges identified should be focused on grasping and substantiating the foundations for Organic mentality – of the Organicist and Integralist Types of rationality, therefore – "Learning to be Integralist".

In 2019, Biocosmological society entered its tenth year. At our 18ISBC, in Veliky Novgorod, Russia – we have already started to elaborate the foundations of the Integralist scientific endeavors. However, in general, such major tasks can be implemented exclusively within the international cooperative efforts. Therefore, we now graciously count on the Iranian scholars (and great potentials of the Persian culture) and the scholars from all over the world who is interested to contribute to resolving the issues of our Call for gathering.

With kindest regards,

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The collection of abstracts will be printed and distributed to participants during the conference.

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