

**SOCIO-PHILOSOPHICAL FOUNDATIONS OF THE CONCEPT OF  
SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT IN THE PROCESS OF GLOBALIZATION**

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***Abstract:** The article examines the socio-philosophical foundations of the concept of sustainable development in the process of globalization. The philosophical and methodological foundations, conceptual essence, and transformation of the idea of sustainable development in the context of globalization are analyzed. The socio-economic, environmental, and cultural-spiritual aspects of the sustainable development concept are identified. The prospects for the socio-philosophical implementation of sustainable development goals in Uzbekistan are considered. Scientifically based proposals and recommendations for improving these processes have been developed.*

***Keywords:** sustainable development, globalization, socio-philosophical analysis, ecological balance, civilizational approach, human capital, spiritual and moral values, social justice, global cooperation, digital transformation.*

**Introduction.** As a result of the intensification of the globalization process, humanity is entering a new stage of its development. In this process, the concept of sustainable development emerges as an important strategy for solving global problems facing humanity and protecting the interests of future generations. This concept expresses the need to harmonize socio-economic development with the principles of ecological balance and social justice.

Studying the socio-philosophical foundations of sustainable development is important not only from a theoretical perspective but also from a practical one. Understanding the philosophical and methodological foundations of this concept, comprehending its conceptual essence, and analyzing its transformation in the context of globalization makes it possible to develop effective mechanisms for achieving sustainable development goals.

The Republic of Uzbekistan is also actively working to implement the UN Sustainable Development Goals. In this process, it is of great importance to study the socio-philosophical foundations of sustainable development and to improve the mechanisms for implementing it, taking into account national characteristics.

The purpose of this study is to analyze the socio-philosophical foundations of the concept of sustainable development in the process of globalization and to clarify the prospects for its implementation in the conditions of Uzbekistan.

**Literature review.** The socio-philosophical foundations of the concept of sustainable development have been studied by many foreign and domestic scholars. For example, V.I. Danilov-Danilyan and K.S. Losev, in their research, note that *“The concept of sustainable development is aimed at protecting the interests of future generations by ensuring the harmony of economic, social, and environmental aspects”* [1].

N.N. Moiseev, in his scientific works, draws special attention to the philosophical and methodological foundations of sustainable development, stating that *“Sustainable development is a new philosophical paradigm aimed at rethinking the relationship between humans and nature and determining the evolutionary paths of humanity’s development”* [2].

A.D. Ursul analyzes the gnoseological aspects of sustainable development, noting that *“The concept of sustainable development requires new forms of understanding the interconnection between nature, society, and humans. This, in turn, necessitates the formation of new models of philosophical thinking”* [3].

D.M. Gvishiani examines the role of the Club of Rome in shaping the concept of sustainable development, emphasizing that *“The ‘Limits to Growth’ model developed by the Club of Rome was of great importance in predicting crisis situations in human development. This model had a significant impact on the formation of the concept of sustainable development”* [4].

T.G. Krugova focuses on the spiritual and moral aspects of sustainable development, noting that *“To ensure sustainable development, it is necessary to develop not only technological and economic factors but also spiritual and moral values. Spiritual and moral values determine a person’s attitude toward nature and are a key condition for sustainable development”* [5].

In his work *Principles of Ethical Economics*, P. Kozlovski writes that *“The concept of sustainable development requires organizing economic activity on the basis of moral principles. This is achieved by resolving contradictions between economic and moral values”* [6].

A.I. Utkin analyzes the relationship between globalization and sustainable development, noting that *“In the context of globalization, new international mechanisms need to be created to implement the concept of sustainable development. These mechanisms should ensure the cooperation of various countries in solving global problems”* [7].

U. Beck, in his work *What is Globalization?*, observes that *“In the context of globalization, the concept of sustainable development acquires new content. It is significant not only for solving*

*environmental problems but also as a means of eliminating the negative consequences of the globalization process” [8].*

A.D. Ursul and V.A. Los, in their research, emphasize that *“A new socio-philosophical paradigm is necessary for the implementation of the concept of sustainable development. This paradigm is aimed at rethinking the relationship between humans, society, and nature and determining the evolutionary paths of humanity’s development” [9].*

D.S. Lvov analyzes the economic aspects of sustainable development, noting that *“The success of a sustainable development strategy depends on creating new models of economic growth. These models should ensure not only quantitative growth but also a qualitative transition to a new stage of development” [10].*

**Analysis and results.** The analysis of the socio-philosophical foundations of sustainable development shows that this concept has a multifaceted and complex character. From a socio-philosophical point of view, the concept of sustainable development is aimed at rethinking the relationship between humans, society, and nature and determining new paths for humanity’s development.

The analysis of the philosophical and methodological foundations of sustainable development allows us to identify the following features:

**First,** the concept of sustainable development is emerging as a new philosophical paradigm. This paradigm focuses on rethinking the relationship between humans and nature, determining the evolutionary paths of humanity’s development, and addressing global problems. The concept of sustainable development requires new ontological and gnoseological approaches, as it demands the study of humans, society, and nature as a single integrated system.

**Second,** the concept of sustainable development is based on a civilizational approach. According to this approach, modern civilization is entering a new stage of its development. At this stage, economic growth must be harmonized with the principles of ecological balance and social justice. The concept of sustainable development advances new values that are important for the future of modern civilization.

**Third,** the concept of sustainable development requires a global approach. According to this approach, achieving sustainable development goals requires strengthening cooperation on a global scale. Solving global problems requires joint actions by the international community. The concept of sustainable development calls for the creation of new mechanisms of cooperation at the global level.

**Fourth**, the concept of sustainable development has a pronounced socio-cultural dimension. Spiritual and moral values play a crucial role in shaping an individual's attitude toward nature and society. Without the formation of a value-oriented worldview, it is impossible to achieve the long-term goals of sustainable development. This means that along with technological and economic progress, it is necessary to cultivate ecological culture, social responsibility, and moral consciousness.

**Fifth**, sustainable development involves the active use of human capital as the main driving force for change. Education, science, and innovation are key tools for ensuring socio-economic progress while preserving ecological balance. In this context, the role of knowledge-based economies becomes particularly important, as they form the basis for a transition to an environmentally friendly and socially responsible development model.

**Sixth**, the rapid advancement of digital technologies opens new opportunities for achieving sustainable development goals. Digital transformation enables more effective resource management, improves environmental monitoring systems, and enhances social inclusion. However, this process also requires addressing digital inequality and ensuring equal access to technological benefits for all social groups.

Based on the above, it is clear that the concept of sustainable development is not limited to a single sphere but encompasses an interconnected system of economic, environmental, and socio-cultural processes. It is a strategic paradigm for ensuring the survival and harmonious development of civilization in the 21st century.

**Conclusion and Recommendations.** The socio-philosophical foundations of sustainable development in the context of globalization represent a new worldview paradigm that redefines the interaction between humans, society, and nature. This concept calls for a transition from a purely economic growth model to a holistic model that integrates ecological balance, social justice, and cultural-spiritual development.

In the conditions of Uzbekistan, the effective implementation of sustainable development goals requires:

1. **Strengthening philosophical and methodological research** in the field of sustainable development to adapt global concepts to national realities.
2. **Promoting environmental education and ecological culture** among the population, especially the younger generation, as a foundation for forming a value-based worldview.
3. **Developing human capital** through investments in science, education, and innovation, with a focus on green technologies.

4. **Enhancing digital transformation** to ensure transparency, efficiency, and environmental monitoring, while reducing digital inequality.

5. **Expanding international cooperation** in addressing global challenges and participating actively in global sustainable development initiatives.

6. **Integrating spiritual and moral values** into the socio-economic development strategy to strengthen the ethical basis of decision-making.

In conclusion, sustainable development is not only an economic necessity but also a socio-philosophical imperative for the survival of humanity in the era of globalization. By combining scientific and technological progress with moral responsibility and global solidarity, it is possible to ensure a harmonious and secure future for both present and future generations.

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