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Vietnam's renovation and development

Using futurology methodology in this work the author presented prospects of Vietnam civilization in the historical renovation cause in Vietnam nowadays. The article noticed that the renovation cause in Vietnam is a true revolution that has brought about profound transformations. This is a great turning that integrates Vietnam into the world's advanced movement and creates good conditions for Vietnam's entering the 21 century.

TO DUY HOP

Theoretical syntheses and integration - A new trend in sociological development process

There are different theories in sociology. Sociological history from the day it was formed up to now is not only the history of confrontation and conflict between such schools as positivism - anti-positivism, marxism - anti-marxism, functionalism - conflict theory, structuralism - behaviorism, etc., but also the history of dialogue, cooperation between different approaches and theories.

A standing out trend of contemporary sociology is to synthetizing and integrating rational points of sociological theories and approaches in order to set up a common sociological base. *Syntheses in sociological theory*, theoretical schools have experienced such phases as classical - neoclassical, and are now reaching nonclassical, from modern to post-modern. *Theoretical integration* competence has become reality and has reached some success in micro - macro, structure - agency integration.

All-sided social dialectically syntheses - integration competence is now being hint out by the *holistic dialectical point of view* with distinguish or/and not distinguish, adjust or/and not adjust, change or/and not change *Khinh - Trong**.

Holistic system approaching operationalization will reach a *Khinh - Trong dialectical socially system holograph*.

NGUYEN VAN KHANG

Sociolinguistics on gender: discrimination and linguistic planning against women's discrimination in language use

Being the most important means of communication, language not only reflects social relativity, but also strengthens and maintains it. From this viewpoint and in terms of gender, it may be noticed that language not only reflects human conceptions, worldviews, but also contributes to transforming human perceptions of gender. Based on this conception, the article has focused on two issues:

1. Language reflects society's prejudices against women
2. Language reform (or language planning) with regard to gender in order to create gender equality.

* *Khinh - Trong* is a pair of general dialectical category. It has both objective and subjective meaning. In subjective meaning, *Khinh* is the subject of lighten, ignorance, etc., and *Trong* is the subject of heighten, emphasize, put in priority, etc. In objective meaning, *Khinh - Trong* is the object with self-distinguished: basic - non basic, major - minor, decisive - to be decisive, etc.

TRINH HOA BINH & DAO THANH TRUONG

Justice issue and capacities to provide health care services in private hospitals nowadays

When the market economy with socialist orientation is chosen, the establishment of private hospitals is inevitable. Private hospitals have given people more choices of health care services. However, there are also many issues that need to be addressed in these hospitals. They include

1. Patients of private hospitals
2. Patients' medical examinations before their going to private hospitals
3. Diseases and services in private hospitals
4. Service costs and pay ways
5. Reasons for service choices and patients' satisfaction
6. Services for patients who need examinations

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Some features of demographic transition and the demographic program in Vietnam

The theory of demographic transition holds that countries' population development has to go through three phases: 1) the pre-transition phase; 2) the transition phase; and 3) the post-transition phase. Based on the present population of Vietnam, the author has shown that according to many scholars Vietnam is being in a late phase of demographic transition. The article has argued that population policy is one of the main driving forces to achieve active dynamisms for Vietnam's demographic process. At the same time the article has pointed out that the demographic transition in Vietnam is posing difficult problems for reducing birth rates and for achieving substitute birth rate.

TRINH THI QUANG

Labor migration policies and the population distribution in mountain areas of Vietnam

Socio-economic policies for Vietnam's mountain areas during the last years have been linked to socio-economic and human strategies in the development process. Migration policies are also aimed at these goals. Migration and labor distribution are important issues in the state's population policy system. The article has deeply analyzed direct as well as indirect policies that affect this issue. The analysis has shown the policies' roles and the obstacles and difficulties in policy fulfilment. The article has recommended some solutions in order to create and promote a good link between labor migration policies and population distribution in Vietnam's mountain areas.