

# A Comprehensive Vision for the Problem of Values Nowadays

## Review

Ana PASCARU (coord.), *“Axiological Decentralization in the Knowledge Society (Philosophical Aspects)”*, Academy of Sciences of Moldova, Chişinău, 2015.

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*Axiological Decentralization in the Knowledge Society (Philosophical Aspects)*<sup>1</sup> is the most recent monograph authored by the group of researchers of the Department of Philosophy from the Academy of Sciences of Moldova. It comprises articles written by experienced researchers in the field as Ana Pascaru (Hab Ph.D.) – “Knowledge Society: Realities and Perspectives”, Gheorghe Bobîna (Prof. Hab Ph.D.) – “Axiomatic aspects of Humanizing Science”, Lidia Troianowski (Ph.D.) – “Trends and ethical principles in post-contemporary Ethics”, Rodica Ciobanu (Ph.D.) – “The Moral Imperative of Power”, Alexandru Cosmescu (Ph.D.) – “Otherness Relation within the Discourse of Contemporary Philosophy”, Andrei Perciun (researcher) – “Structural methods for axiological self-significance”, Nicolae Bodean (researcher) – “Identitary transformations and developments at the beginning of XXI century”.

All the chapters of the books reflect the central thesis, that of undergoing axiological decentralization in the knowledge society, from different standpoints. They share the common assumption for the possibility of axiological decentralization solely in an un-centered globalizing world characterized by Multiple, Diverse, Otherness, and Location. In the modern settings, the core values

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<sup>1</sup> Ana Pascaru (coord.), *Axiological Decentralization in the Knowledge Society (Philosophical Aspects)* (Institute of History from the Academy of Sciences of Moldova, Chişinău, F.E.-P. „Tipografia Centrală”, 2015).

are replaced by sets of values adapted to various, multiple and individual aspects of the Reality. In any actual phenomenon co-exist many aspects and implications. As such, all chapters involve interdisciplinary approaches.

The path of reading is indicated even the introduction volumes, from where we present this excerpt:

*The imperative of research at stake is the scrutiny of systems' connection through the viewpoint of the networking and interconnections, which become the proper framework for each system, and help to build the borders of knowledge-based society. The new format for structure and integration of systems creates favorable openings for all agents involved in this process, catalyzing, in the conditions of globalization, the formation of unity in diversity that marks contemporary societies and their relationship. In this work was highlighted the importance of unity in diversity tendency, which was substantiated under axiological dimension, beyond the differences / specificities of the societies.<sup>2</sup>*

Every chapter highlights, from different points, the perennial conflict/harmony between values and truth, between the ethical, social, cultural, aesthetic, political, and dialogical framework and the truth. The latter one cannot be taken out from this context, in which it forms itself, but with which it doesn't identify itself either (the truth can't be reduced to its social context, cultural and so on): "The research of relativization of knowledge processes is linked to its ethical context,"<sup>3</sup> "Research output data become public good which contribute to the general progress of the society",<sup>4</sup> "Humanization of the Science is a particular case of the relationship between knowledge and values,"<sup>5</sup> and so on.

The monograph *Axiological Decentralization in the Knowledge Society (Philosophical Aspects)* raises the question of the relation of the identity of a society, nation or persons to the values in a world where the multiplicity of interconnections takes place of any other kind of order and communication creates both a new disorder, and a new unification through relationships and interconnections. The order of globalization is based on communication, networking, connections, and not on structures, orders or geopolitical relationships.

The watchwords of the volume are: the transdisciplinarity, the complexity, the multiple rapports of the values to the society, culture, identity, nation, power, information and communication technologies.

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<sup>2</sup> *Ibidem*, 4.

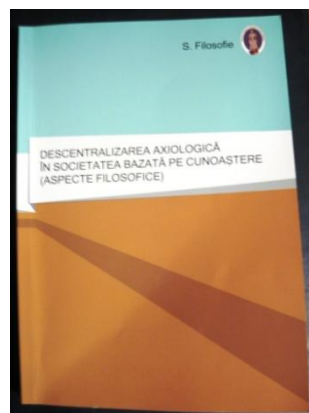
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We present this volume as a result of a representative research result for the themes and ideas of philosophical reflection from the present Moldova. It accomplishes to bring together the humanistic values and the new challenges of contemporary reality, the need for a core and the nowadays des-centering world, which finds unity through interconnections and networking and through communication and knowledge.



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