

Introduction to the Bios Theory

The immense technological progress has introduced a series of dynamic changes in society making our need to assess values and methods of our educational systems an imperative.

Technology has provided an expansion in every field of human endeavour. Continuous innovation and development, as well as fluidity in the structure of society due to changing social goals, cause difficulties in identifying priorities and maintaining proper educational perspectives.

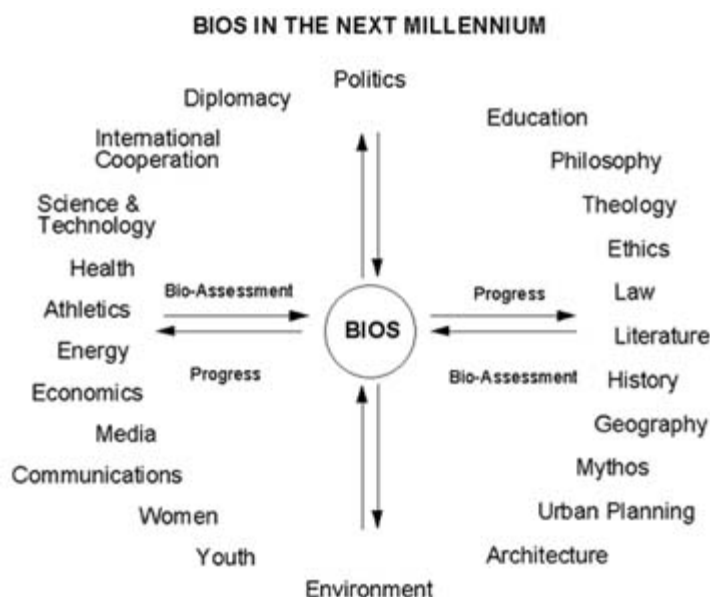
At the threshold of a new millennium, technology may be viewed as the revelation of the truth and a pathway leading to a better future. Education may act as a catalyst and help resolve national and international problems by allowing the assimilation of progress and expansion into the building of a harmonious respect for all forms of bios (life).

In order to realize the above ideal, we need to redefine the priorities of education and built a global meta university model. University should become again universal. In the course of several hundred years we have established geographic and specialty barriers. In order to overpass the current threats to the bio-environment, the universal aspect of our learning becomes an even bigger responsibility.

In view of the need to implement reforms in education, the Biopolitics International Organization (B.I.O.) has launched the International University for the Bio-Environment (I.U.B.E.). The I.U.B.E. constitutes the primary effort of B.I.O. to construct a Global Model Bio-Education, in order to provide not only new educational methods and techniques, but also to expand human scope in every static idea and value. This includes the sensitization of all media, communications, educational institutions, representatives from industries and governments and decision makers in all levels and learning respect for the bio-environment as a new value system.

The main goals of the International University for the Bio-Environment are:

- International educational reforms so as to shift from an anthropocentric to a biocentric curriculum and place the better understanding and appreciation of the bio-environment as core of an integrated educational system.
- International cooperation for the better understanding and appreciation of bios and the bio- environment. Bios recognizes no ideological or geographical boundaries, no East - West, North - South or developed - developing countries. Bios provides the unifying force for the harmonious co- existenceof all forms of life. Parallel to internal problems, nations will undertake an international task.
- Worldwide bio-assessment of technology as an effort to bridge the gap between technological progress and societal values. Progress may be viewed under the spectrum of `Bios in the Next Millennium', so as to retain the aspects of technology that contribute to the maintenance of the bio- environment. In a dialectic exchange of views, experts in respective fields will be asked to present the thesis and antithesis, and then create the synthesis of new values leading to a cross-fertilization and a gradual change of attitude. We need to increase the awareness of the compatibility between technological innovations and the search for new values. This implies an on going process to expand human vision not only to meet the needs of present society but also to anticipate future.



- International legislation on Bios Rights. It is important to realize that environmental deterioration constitutes a threat to all forms of bios. Creativity and economic growth may be channeled to foster the defense for bios and bio-diversity, reduce environmental risks and promote compatibility between technological progress and the bio-environment. The respect for bios may serve as the core of thinking and action.

Present society is in disequilibrium for it resembles an inverted pyramid. Technology has expanded the unstable base which stands in the air. This imbalance may be changed by reverting the pyramid and placing bios rights at the wide base of our society. Human rights will then occupy the stable tip of the pyramid.



- The sensitization of public opinion to the ramifications of the biological sciences so that more people will realize that progress in the biological sciences relates to their own specific field of interest. The impact of this progress may open new fields of human endeavour such as bio-legislation, bio- environment, bio-literature, bio-arts, bio-linguistics, bio-economics, bio-communication, bio-history, bio-education and bio-diplomacy. For the first time, in the multi-million year history of life, the genome can be analyzed and changed. The biological sciences are causing the major revolution of our times and raise the awareness for a unified concept of life.
- The mobilization of action groups for the bio-environment, utilizing both the enthusiasm of youth and the knowledge of experienced people to tackle local bio-environmental issues; encouragement of a world-wide interdisciplinary exchange of information promoting the appreciation of the bio- environment, leading to the creation of a Bank of Ideas; exchange of bios-supporting data between cities, individuals, universities, etc. Lobbying groups could be established to pressure world media organizations to include more news and information on bio-environmental issues in their publications and programming. Satellite television networks, could include a bulletin on environmental issues along with the weather and stock market reports.

A World Referendum can be organized allowing people throughout the world to vote and express their strong wish for the continuation of bios on the planet.

Studies in biopolitics will lead to an innovative approach to educational systems and pedagogical methods. Close collaboration and open communication channels may establish links at both national and international level. Groups can work together and promote interdisciplinary approaches with relevance to methodology. In order to review the present status of education at all levels, bio-education needs to be encouraged.

In conclusion, one realizes that humanity possesses the option for an alternative future. The rapid rate of technological improvement provides the ascending ladder of knowledge, and the linking bridge between the present and the future. In the following decades, biopolitics may play an important role as an exemplar of peace and messenger of harmony.

Harmony

*With wings of the soul
I touch the golden waves of infinity
around, heavenly beauty like light
sparkles rays with colors of flowers
whispers the soil, awakens the earth
not like a mother, just like a daughter
of the cycle of wear
and the infinite of the eternal
the melody of the universe
is surrounded by the rhythm of harmony*

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