

SYSTEM VIEW ON THE PROBLEMS OF MINERAL-RESOURCE SPHERE.GEOETHICS APPROACH

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Russia has come to the new millenium,trying to implement deep social-and-economic perestrojka.Mineral raw-materialcomplex now dominates Russian economy.The stucture of relationships in the mineralraw-material sphere - in ownership,labourrelations,social infrastructure,etc.,and society as a whole - has changed radically.

These changes have had an impact oneconomic approaches, criteria, indices, economic logic itself. A new social-and-economic paradigm of development is required. It should adequatly allow for moral normsand traditions of Russian culture and wayof life,value orientations and peculiarities ofeconomic development.

The geoethical approach should be thefoundation stone in development resourcestrategies,geopolitical analysis,assessmentsof social-and-economic consequences ofthe perestrojka,including guarantees of long(dozens of years) social availability of mine-ral resources for population and the count-ry's economics.

The geoethical approach should lean onsociological researches.We studied opini- ons of geologists from different countrieson geoethics problems.We conducted regi-onal sociological researches among geologists of St. Petersburg and at one of the larg-est in the world Russian oil-producing region - Khanty-Mansi. The geoethical approach requires a rise in social responsibility in management decisi- on-making and conducting of social revisi-ons.The geoethical approach is not only one of the trends of analysis of resourcestrategies,but a powerful instrument of fore- castings of social,economic and politicalsituation in the country.