

**PROBLEMS OF SPATIAL PLANNING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT:
SOCIAL-PHILOSOPHICAL ASPECT**

The article examines social and philosophical problems of spatial planning and urban development from the 1920's until the present. From the historical point of view there are three phases: the 1920s, 1930—1980s, 1990—2010s. In the 1920s two approaches were used in the development of the country: technical and economic and personalistics. The first meant not only the development of power engineering but also of the economy in the whole country. The second lies in stimulation of active creative work, disclosure of worker's personal potential. On the one hand, it was turned to economic and technical modernization on the basis of the State Plan of the Electrification of Russia; on the other, it was relied on "diligent farmer". In the 1930—1980s the technical and economic approach was dominating. In the 1990—2010s the market approach was widely extended. According to the latter, the development of the national economy should be executed depending on the law of demand and supply. In Russia the realization of the market economy based on demand and supply was reduced to development of exclusively highly profitable business.

In the article the author uses the methods of historical knowledge, analysis and comparison and provides suggestions on solving problems of spatial planning and urban development. Special emphasis is placed on the Soviet experience of the 1920s, when the market relations have not been completely destroyed.

Key words: spatial planning, planning of settlements, State Plan for the Electrification of Russia, New Economic Policy, urban development, migration, population distribution, five-year plan, industrialization, production, territorial-production complex.

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