

CONSCIOUSNESS AND SIGN

The man is the special essence operating simultaneously both in real, and in ideal spaces. The basis of its action is the preliminary knowledge of the future result of own action. The ability which allows the person to correlate ideal and real spaces is consciousness. Consciousness is only the human ability to complete the real space of nature with its ideal space by own action. The man attaches significance – to the nature, and the sense – to the own action.

The man generates own consciousness by special means. Such means is a sign. The sign is artificial space of all people, created by all people to attach significance to the natural nature. The artificial sign unites people in their common attitude to the natural nature. The need for a sign arises, when there is a need to generate joint action as the attitude to the natural nature.

Own consciousness is made by the man in joint action with other people. The consciousness is simultaneously both a product, and means of joint action. The consciousness takes place only during generation of a joint action as a way of the decision of new genesis problem of the individual man. As soon as the genesis problem is solved, the joint action is generated, the situation has ceased to be a problem, the need for consciousness disappears. The multi-significance consciousness ceases to be the way of genesis problems' decision and turns into a mono-significance tie of stereotypic schemes and stereotypic results.

The sign loses a multi-significance and infinity and turns into a mono-significance and final signal. An "alive" action turns into a "dead" skill. Skills can be united for mechanical works, but cannot be incorporated for the decision of new genesis problem.

The problem of mechanisms of genesis of consciousness and sign has not be solved yet. We offer only the scheme of its decision.

The natural form of natural object has a «natural significance» way of its existence as a qualitative certain natural object. If the natural form of one object has «natural significance» for another object, these objects will interact.

As the natural form of the object has «natural significance», so the object is «natural sign». The object becomes social sign, when «natural significance» turns into «social significance». If the natural form of one artificial subject (sign) has «social significance» for all people, the people can cooperate.

«Natural significance» will be transformed by people to «social significance» in a joint action when there is a need to reproduce the natural form of object by social co-action of people. As a result the «natural sign» turns into the «social sign» by combined efforts. If «natural sign» is the means of interacting natural object's reproduction, «social sign» is the means of generation of the new joint action.

The «social sign» as the means of generation of a joint action is space of the united consciousness. The «social sign» as the means of generation of individual action in the joint action is space of individual consciousness.