
Future as a Subject of Philosophical Thought in Classical, Non-Classical and Post-Non-Classical Science

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Abstract: The paper discusses a wide range of questions connected with revealing of the features of philosophical understanding of the future on the basis of achievements of history of philosophy and a science. The basis of the author's approach to consideration of this theme is the statement that from the moment of occurrence of consciousness and the beginning of formation of human outlook *the image of the future* has always been a part of human reflections about time and eternity. But if the future is closely connected with the concept of time, its relation to the present and the past should be considered as time in its relation to eternity is understood. The considerable attention in this connection is given to the comparative analysis of philosophical views of the thinkers of the Ancient Greece, the Middle Ages, New Age and modern writers on the problem of parity of time and eternity. The author's approach is based on understanding of the future as a general object of research for representatives of philosophy and various scientific disciplines. The philosophical understanding of the future is connected to its links to space, time, movement, change and development, with various social problems and attempts of forecasting of the future events. In this connection, the basic concepts of classical, non-classical and a post-non-classical science, in particular, modern synergetics and futurology are used and discussed.
