

Towards A Society with a More Fair Economy or an Economy with a More Social Face: The Contribution of Scientific Social Knowledge to the Alternative Models of Socioeconomic Development

- A Book Review -

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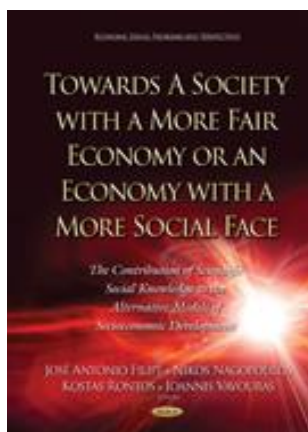
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1. Introduction

The objective of this work is the book “Towards a Society with a More Fair Economy or an Economy with a More Social Face: The Contribution of Scientific Social Knowledge to the Alternative Models of Socioeconomic Development”, 978-1-63482-948-9, from Nova Science Publishers Series *Economic Issues, Problems and Perspectives*, whose

Editors are José António Filipe, Nikos Nagopoulos, Kostas Rontos, and Ioannis Vavouras. The book is composed of the following thirteen self-contained chapters:



- **Governance Quality: Theory, Determinants and Policy Issues**

Kostas Rontos (et al.)

- **The Socioeconomic and Political Aspects of Overall Development Worldwide:**

Measurement and Interconnections

Kostas Rontos (et al.)

- **Endogenous Growth, Social Economy and Social Enterprises as a Means of Reversing the Traditional Model of Regional Development**

Nikos Nagopoulos (et al.)

- **Corporate Social Responsibility: A Theoretical and Legal Background**

Nikolaos Bloskas

- **The Emergence of CSR in Greece at Local Level – Synergies Between SMES and Local Authorities**

Miltiadis Stampoulis (et al.)

- **Environmental Education, Environmental Policy and Socioeconomic - Sustainable Development**

Niki Psoma

- **Commons, Anti-Commons, Cooperation and Fair Economy: A Reflection**

José António Filipe

- **Mediterranean, Region, Development: Three Key Words and a Brief Commentary**

Luca Salvati

- **A Queue Model for Idle Motorcars Management Considering an Energy Sources' New Scenario**

Manuel Alberto M. Ferreira (et al.)

- **Exploring Environmental Convergence in Complex Socio-Ecological Systems: A Brief Commentary**

Luca Salvati

Case Studies Worldwide

- **Case Study: Social Economy and Entrepreneurship: The Case of Greece (or Evidences from Greece)**

Kostas Rontos (et al.)

- **Case Study: An International Study on CSR in Five Countries (Portugal, Bulgaria, Brazil, India and Greece): Effects on Economic Development, Environmental Sustainability and Social Welfare**

Nikos Nagopoulos (et al.)

- **Case Study: Environmental Education Centers in Greece**

Niki Psoma

- It has been established long ago that unrestricted economic growth is not a sufficient condition for the overall advancement of nations. With this in mind, we must switch our priorities to development;

which, in our opinion, can be taken as a key phrase.

2. The review

Addressing major challenges in advanced and developing economies and exploring full potential in terms of development, requires a multidimensional and operational approach regarding analysis and policy design. It is highlighted that development is a much broader notion than growth incorporating apart from the economic dimension of development the social and political pillar. In an increasingly integrated economic environment a coherent scientific framework is required in order to identify emerging issues as well as latest models and trends concerning new policy perspectives, especially when these synergies are examined under the spectrum of the current economic crisis. This book apprehends these ongoing tendencies and implications based on scientific methodologies in order to demonstrate the need for active, innovative and consistent policy initiatives and reforms providing a new vision for sustaining and stimulating economic and social development. Therefore, this is a high quality scientific book and works as an international reference and excellent guide for academic researchers and social scientists building on the associated scientific methodologies with the objective of supporting agents' decisions either in the public or in the private sector concerning their strategic planning.

In the brief description of the book carried out by the editors, it is worth noting the following text: