

Sydney, NS, Canada, in 1989, inquired into the subject of "The Epistemological Foundations of Social Theory."

Among the papers presented and extensively discussed in critical length—an expressed style of this SRP group to evolve a scientific theory and application of ethics as endogenous elements of the socioeconomic and socioscientific orders—were two papers on Islamic economics. Mohammad Ansari, of Athabasca University, Athabasca, AL, Canada, dealt with the question of the Islamic concept of rationality being different from the neoclassical concept of rationality. Salah el-Sheikh of St. Francis Xavier University, Antigonish, NS, Canada, discussed the process of knowledge formation in the Islamic approach to the study of economics.

The paper by Masudul A. Choudhury of the University College of Cape Breton, Sydney, NS, Canada, was in the area of endogenous conceptualization of ethics in contrast to the exogenous treatment to be found in the entire history of Western social contractarian theory. Mark Lutz of the University of Maine at Orono, Orono, ME, focused on the area of developing standard approaches in development studies. He also criticized the existing concept of relativism in ethical philosophy. Jon Wisman of the American University, Washington, DC, and Kenneth Stickers of Seattle University, Seattle, WA, dealt in their jointly-authored paper with the ethical formulation of the concepts of the good life, the common good, and the vision of material progress in an ethical framework.

The papers of Len Pluta of St. Francis Xavier University, Antigonish, NS, Canada, and Li-teh Sun of Morehead State University, Morehead, KY, concentrated on conceptualizing the attributes of individual behavior and societal interactions as perceived in comparative social and economic doctrines to form a balanced individual and society. Santo Dodaro of St. Francis Xavier University, Antigonish, NS, Canada, and Rod Nichols of the University College of Cape Breton, Sydney, NS, Canada, discussed institutionalist thinking in Keynes and Wendell Berry, as they have shaped socioethical views. The papers of Abdur Rehman Zeinelabdin of the Statistical, Economic, and Social Research and Training Centre for Islamic Countries, Ankara, Turkey, Lewis Solomon of the National Law Centre, George Washington University, Washington, DC, and Barry Myers of the Algonquin College, Algonquin Park, OT, Canada, were in the applied areas of sustainable development, aid granting, and commodity pricing that leave the impress of the existing unethical values ingrained in these processes on the global scene.

The papers presented will be collected in several issues of the *Humanomics* journal which will appear over the course of the year 1992.

The "Third International Conference on Ethico-Economics: Relations between Ethical Values and Social Institutions" has been announced by the Ethico-Economic SRP group for October 1993. Papers are invited now in

various areas on the theme of the conference, but particularly those dealing with the following areas: Ethico-Economics and the Concept of Human Fulfillment, and Theoretical and Case Studies on the Regenerative Relationship between Ethical Values and Socio-Economic Institutions. Limited travel funds and accommodation are available.

Write to or contact: Professor M. A. Choudhury, Department of Social Sciences, University College of Cape Breton, Sydney, NS, B1P 6L2, Canada. Phones: Office: (902) 539-5300; Home: (902) 567-2173.

Masudul A. Choudhury
University College of
Cape Breton
Sydney, Nova Scotia

Research Symposium on Ethics

The Symposium on Ethics and
Socio-Economic Institutions in Developing Countries

20-22 SEPTEMBER 1991
UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF CAPE BRETON

The Symposium on Ethics and Socio-Economic Institutions in Developing Countries is a part of the research program on ethics and socio-economic institutions in developing countries, which is being conducted by the University College of Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada. The program is designed to explore the relationship between ethical values and socio-economic institutions in developing countries. The program is open to all interested scholars and researchers. The program is being held at the University College of Cape Breton, Sydney, Nova Scotia, Canada. The program is being held from September 20-22, 1991. The program is being held at the University College of Cape Breton, Sydney, Nova Scotia, Canada. The program is being held from September 20-22, 1991.

The program is being held at the University College of Cape Breton, Sydney, Nova Scotia, Canada. The program is being held from September 20-22, 1991. The program is being held at the University College of Cape Breton, Sydney, Nova Scotia, Canada. The program is being held from September 20-22, 1991.

The program is being held at the University College of Cape Breton, Sydney, Nova Scotia, Canada. The program is being held from September 20-22, 1991. The program is being held at the University College of Cape Breton, Sydney, Nova Scotia, Canada. The program is being held from September 20-22, 1991.