

The Socio-cultural Constraints on the Egyptian Sociologists in the Transformation Paradigm's Age

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Abstract

This paper aims to discuss the state of the art of Egyptian sociology, with all its non-scientific representations and residuals, which determine the conditions and limits of the sociological mind's creations, gestures, and demanding adventures. It will discuss the problematic situation of a considerable number of Egyptian sociologists; how they lose much of their content and point of view when dealing with the theoretical and realistic issues and dilemmas in society depending on the stereotypes that they represent; relying on a dominant and holistic sociocultural structure. To what extent do their vision and theoretic-methodological framework have the necessary "scientific" capacity and competence to deal with intensive and accelerated social developments, as well as the required qualifications to deal effectively with the flood of data and information, in addition to the compressed experiences of reality? And, given the dominance of societal traditionalism in much of today's Egyptian sociological production, what are the new perspectives in social science paradigms, such as complexity and chaos approaches, in their relationship with network society, and how could they be promising to adopt in our sociological analysis?

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