

THEORETIC AND METHODOLOGICAL BASE FOR MODERNIZATION PROCESSES

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Abstract. Article shows analysis of theoretic and methodological base for modernization economy process. First of all, the theories are analyzed from the four evolution stages of the modernization viewpoint on the nation-state economic system. Two development trends of approaches to modernization are studied that exist in the theoretical and methodological terms: Linear concepts and alternatives to them. For grouping the theoretical and methodological modernization approaches of the alternative research lines a criteria have been identified that on the one hand are the drivers, starting the modernization process, on the other hand - the very course and the result of modernization. The analysis is able to deliver classification of the theoretic and methodological base and the modernization types. In contrast to the collinear approach to modernization, discussed in this article approaches emphasize external (exogenous) change factors, rather than on the inner.

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