EDITORIAL

Relations science, engineering, society and environment

Nowadays, the relationships between science, engineering, society and environment (S + E + S + E) are considered as a public perspective of science and technology, for its great influence on society and its repercussion on the environment. Its importance lies primarily in the necessity to access different epistemologies converge. It is so because in this interaction the S pluralizing referring to the sciences of nature, E refers to engineering and the belief that you can not keep talking about "engineering" as an application of science, but as a self-discipline, under which it can be shown the epistemological status of engineering and technological knowledge stocks different, distinguishable by the different programs and degrees in engineering. As for S, its influence on culture. Regarding the E, its effects on the animal, vegetable and mineral resources. We want to present to our readers this number beginning with this much-needed reflection, born of social science research and technology, or for short, sociology of knowledge, more specifically the work done by RK Merton on cultural factors, religious, political and economic contributed to scientific and technological development in England in the seventeenth century and were the beginning of a new methodological perspective of the scientific-technological, research coming to demystify the only way to get through the knowledge was called scientific method today so discredited today. Currently, it is permissible combining different methodologies and approaches to gain knowledge, as well as the absolute rejection of the linearity of the research and ordered those recipes. This field of the sociology of scientific knowledge has diversified with the development of programs related to looks anthropological and ethnographic character and didactic transposition that science journalism has done to bring this knowledge to the general public for science and engineering closer to a society in general disciplines.

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