

Summary

This book is the result of research focusing on the historiography of Czech and Slovak philosophical ideas. It is an attempt to map out the basic environmental issues in the work of our authors and follows the gradual increase in interest in how philosophy has been transformed regarding the relationship between man and nature. The work is based on a search for answers after perceiving and acknowledging the significance or true reality of the problem of the environment. The trend towards a gradual rise in awareness of the problematic retrograde aspects of civilizational development forms its own history through which environmental ideas become entrenched, and not only in our philosophy and ethics.

At the same time, the author also attempts to place these topics in context in order to explain them as they relate to the internal development of philosophical works in our country. This is an attempt to supplement existing historiographical research. This approach has helped to reinforce the initial opinion that the existence of Czech and Slovak philosophy represent an original and authentic philosophical thought which is worthy of attention as an important aspect of spiritual culture. Perhaps this work has also contributed to removing the myths resulting from the somewhat simplified view of certain stages or figures in our philosophy that have resulted from a lack of work done on the history of Marxist philosophy.

The book also presents a case for an opinion on the meaning of such a work, which is to reveal the position of philosophy in the culture of the nation's cultural traditions and those as perceived by the populace. The environmental topics selected also reflect how the perception of these values has changed, as they now reach beyond the narrow framework of human interests and are subject to ever-increasing attention in contemporary society, providing a basis for consideration of future prospects and threats.