



## Sustainable Human Development versus Sustainable Personal Development

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The term *Sustainable* is always defined in favor of the community (of society) of the present and of the future. Now, if the term human is inserted between the two words development and sustainable, what would be the definition? If, instead of human, the word were personal, would the definition be different? A scientific definition is sought for both constructs, *sustainable human development* and *sustainable personal development*, to avoid the vagueness of the term and so that they can be made operative with the intention of intervening. The term sustainable is applied because there is a threat in the present, and it is perceived that this threat will be greater in the future. What is threatening personal development? Additionally, what is threatening to human development?

Therefore, it is necessary to define what of human development is to be preserved, how it is to be preserved, and the reasons for preserving it. Are these personal indicators of a paradigm shift in social psychology? Are there sufficient reasons for us to speak of sustainable social psychology?.

These aspects must be defined from philosophy, from all substantive branches of science, and from research methodology.





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