

THE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT AND LIFE QUALITY

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Abstract. *The sustainable development and life quality have lately become subjects of major interest to the human kind. The concept of sustainable development has crystallized from the reconciliation of the environment and economy, the two working together in order to achieve all levels progress. We intend to tackle a wide-ranging approach of the subject on all levels, approaching issues related to a healthy lifestyle, maintaining environmental integrity, citizens' well-being, cohesion, social inclusion and equal opportunities for all. Through the carried analyse, taking into account the economic and social fields and the environment, and by using qualitative data, we are concerned with finding ways in which society's needs can be met without compromising the environment and without cancelling the needs of future generations. The aim of the paperwork is to identify healthy development models that will support the future generations' orientation towards a higher quality living.*

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1. Introduction

The idea, the concept of sustainable development first appeared in the field of forestry, in Germany of the 17th century, and this came out as a rule, constraining people that when cutting of the trees, they had to plant new ones, while the raw material had to be used in a responsible and sustainable manner, as Birnbacher and Schicha (1996) assert.

Therefore, the concept of sustainable development soon became grounded in different nuances. The World Commission on the Environment and Development (CEMD, 1987) defines the sustainable development as meeting the needs of the current generation without compromising the ability of the future generations to meet their needs and aspirations. The sustainable development, in relation to the economic growth, is seen by some authors as a factor that distracts the attention from the limits of the environment (Daly, 1996).

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