

THE PROBLEM OF THE GENESIS OF SOVIET PSYCHOLOGY **(anniversary reflections)**

Sergey Aleksandrovich Bogdanchikov, the well-known Russian historian of psychology, is 60 this year. This article consists the reflections of the hero of the day, associated with his comprehension of the life path and scientific activities. The author recalls the main events of life, his teachers, the

places of life and work, his scientific interests, as well as hobbies. The main direction of the research of S. A. Bogdanchikov is the history of Soviet psychology, first of all, during 1920–1930s. On the author's opinion, the main problems of this period are: the concept of Soviet psychology and its genesis. The author notes that while Soviet psychology did not exist in the early twenties, no other psychology, except the Soviet one, existed in the USSR by the end of the 1930s. For a researcher it is essential to understand how this transformation happened, what were its causes. S. A. Bogdanchikov has over one hundred and twenty publications on the history of Russian psychology, including five monographs.

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