**Responsibility as the basis of solidarity**

The article deals with the origins of solidarity. The problem is represented by two main interpretations: pragmatic and phenomenological. The pragmatic interpretation (Rorty) is based on the analysis of the connection between solidarity and violence, but does not affect the issue of fear. The phenomenological interpretation (Patočka) explains the phenomenon of solidarity through the shake and sense of struggle for life in freedom. In turn, both aspects of interpretations are implicitly included in the principle of "participative thinking" [uchastnoe myshlenie], which was proposed by Russian philosopher Mikhail Bakhtin. The conclusion about the relationship of responsibility and solidarity with the true being of man is made on the basis of this principle.

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