

ROLE OF INDIVIDUALS ACCORDING TO INDIVIDUALISM, HOLISM, & SYSTEMISM

INDIVIDUALISM: Every individual goes his own way pursuing his own interests - provided he has them and provided he has the power (econ., pol., or cultural) to behave autonomously.
 Trademarks: competition, selfishness, personal welfare, short-term profit, expansionism, aggressiveness, equality before the law,

HOLISM: All individuals march in step towards a supra-individual goal (e.g. improvement of race, nation, or class). Trademarks: "Believe, obey, fight" (Mussolini), expansionism, aggressiveness, domination of the strongest, inequality,

SYSTEMISM: Every individual cooperates with some other individuals to improve his own welfare as well as that of others, and to perfect the institutions allowing for personal realization and the survival of mankind, Trademarks: combination of competition with cooperation, multiple participation, equality,

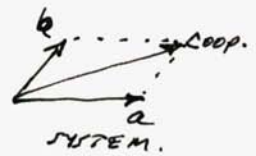
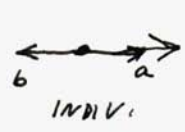


Fig. 1. (a) Individualism: individuals a and b compete with one another and do not share anything. (b) Holism: individuals a and b are pushed towards a goal that transcends them. (c) Systemism: individuals a and b, though having somewhat different goals, share in the resources of wealth and collaborate.

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