

The group for Urban and Regional Research and Studies was formed in 1975 (1354), by social and economic experts and urban planners. The objective was to elaborate a thorough understanding of urban growth and development within the context of underdevelopment in societies like Iran.

The first step was defined as transferring world experience and literature in this field, so the group started to translate and publish works on urban development, urban sociology, economic growth underdevelopment, spatial organization, and other related issues.

This literature was to help planners gain a realistic view of main urban issues in Iran. Among others, the works of:

Lewis Wirth
Jean Remie
Ezra Park
Henrique Cardoso
Paulo Singer
C. Furtado
Catherine Paix



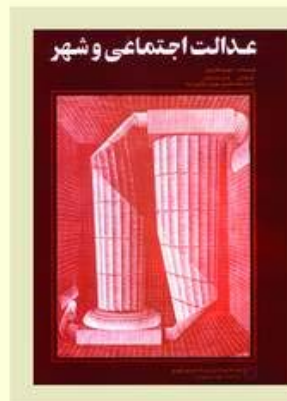
Social Justice and the City

1997

The famous book of David Harvey on theoretical issues of spatial organization was translated and published in 1997(1376) This book contains the main theoretical issues arising from different approaches of social sciences and the so called "spatial sciences" (urban planners and architects).

Philosophical and political issues, involved in the planning process is discussed and elaborated thoroughly in this book.

This work was translated with collaboration of: Behroz Monadzadeh and Mohamadreza Haeri.



A selection of articles defining the under development Phenomenon from different viewpoints. The purpose was to begin discussions on the subject and analysis of different angles under which the third world economics were characterized.

This books contains articles from :

- C. Furtado
- A. G. Frank
- R. Ramirez
- G. Gracilarena
- F.H. Cardoso



Dependence et Urbanization

1979

The first book is a translation of 2 articles by Catherine Paix a french sociologist, published in Revue Tiers Monde No.61 Jan, Mars 1975, PUF, Paris.

The first analyses the organization of space in third world countries as an outcome of dependency and dominated situation of these countries.

The second article is a theoretical approach to urbanization in third world countries.



The Concept of City – Vol I

1979

This book is a selection of articles written on the concept of city and "urban" as a result of the industrial revolution. changing social relationships and attitudes appearing as a product of the urbanization process is discussed in various approaches by:

- Lewis Wirth
- J. Remie
- E. Durkeim
- G. Simmel
- F.H. Cardoso
- D. Harrey

The book is published as the translation of selected articles by the members of the Group for Urban and Regional Research and Studies.



Dependency and Development in Latin America by F.H. Cardoso and E. Faletto , (1979) was translated in 1980 As part of the effort by the Urban and Regional Research Group to understand the development and social change process in Latin America. The book gives a thorough analyses from colonial times to the Present of Latin America societies, using a Historical-structural method.

In this book the concrete and special situation of each country is analyzed as the basis of the historical development process .



Development and Underdevelopment - Vol I

1980

The economic development as the basis of the underdevelopment phenomenon was focused in this book.

The book contains a selection of different articles discussing the main reasons and mechanisms of underdeveloped economies referring to the historical background of Third World countries. In Vol.I a selection of works of:

F.H. Cardoso
T. Dos Santos
P. Singer
P. Salama
G. Kay
R.AvakoV

Was selected and translated by The Group for Urban and Regional Research and studies in 1977.



Political Economy of Urbanization

1980

Paulo Singer is a Brazilian demographer , specialized in population dynamics and urbanization in Latin America.

His work " Political Economy of Urbanization " is a theoretical book covering immigration and urbanization issues in Latin America and the Third World.



The Concept of City – vol II

1979

This book is a continuation of the first volume containing articles written on the concept of city and "Urban". Changing social relationships and attitudes coming as a product of the urbanization process is discussed in various approaches by:

L. Wirth
R.E. Park
J. Remie
J.K. Galbrieth
H. Lefebvre

The book was published as the Translation of selected articles by the members of the group for Urban and Regional Research and Studies.



Urbanization in IRAN

1984

This book, which has become a university textbook, is formed of three articles :

The first gives a historical overview of urbanization in Iran in the phase of modernization starting from 1920 introducing the concept of "rapid urbanization" and characterizing the specificities of urban development in an oil Exporting "enclave" economy.

The second article (by G. Etemad) analyses the immigration trends in the last 50 years .

The third (by M.R. Haeri) depicts a concrete case of urbanization in Kashan city, central Iran.

