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Information epoch and modern society

It has been analyzed the information society concept of Manuel Castells. It has been pointed out the uneven distribution and development of information technology, as well as the fact that this sphere of production is closely related to the political and economic influence of the United States. As a result of the analysis, a number of significant conclusions has been made. In particular, the theoretical idea, that the information society is global, is not confirmed in practice. The actual exchange of information is uneven in all areas of the world. In the information society, information, culture, social and economic processes are closely intertwined and linked through a network of media. The information society is developing against the background of other social processes, in particular the consumer society, which leads to the creation of concepts such as the period of support for devices that require their update within the period specified by the manufacturer.

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