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Cultural impact on the term “geoethics” in Egypt

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Geoethics is a new term that could be unknown in the Arab world, where its translation in Arabic language poses some problems, especially in Egypt. Spreading this term and its importance to professionals and population is not an easy task. These cultural and awareness problems force us to understand and act to solve them.

In this paper the authors have studied two samples of people with different education level: the first one is formed by young geoscientists and the other one is formed by young people coming from different disciplines. The two groups of people have been initially the subject of a survey (by monitoring a base level) about the knowing of geoethics. In a second phase, they have been the subject of another survey after giving to them some lectures and workshops on geoethics.

The goal of the research was to find out how people accept the term “geoethics” and its application and how we can spread it effectively into communities in different ways.

In Egypt there are some cultural problems that could affect on spreading of any new concept. These problems could be overcome by some scientific, social and culture actionable recommendations, and these recommendations could be applied in both Arab and African countries with few modifications.

