

**Toward a Logoteleological Meaning-Centered Science:
Clarifying the Structural Role of Meaning in Human and Organizational Outcomes**

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Abstract

Despite advances across psychology, behavioral science, and organizational development, durable improvements in large-scale human outcomes remain uneven. Rising global mental health concerns (World Health Organization [WHO], 2023), fluctuating well-being indicators (Gallup, 2023), and persistent institutional instability suggest that existing models, while theoretically robust, may underspecify certain structural dimensions. This article introduces Logoteleology (Meaningful Purpose Psychology) as a formally articulated meaning-centered framework. Meaning is conceptualized not as sentiment but as an organizing architecture shaping interpretation, valuation, motivation, and purposive direction. Integrating existential, individual, analytical, social-cognitive, positive, and systems theories (Adler, 1927; Bandura, 1986; Frankl, 1963; Jung, 1959; Seligman, 2011; von Bertalanffy, 1968), the framework clarifies how coherence within meaning structures may influence durable outcomes.

The article advances theoretical integration while outlining avenues for future empirical operationalization.

Keywords: logoteleology, meaning-centered science, purpose, existential psychology, systems theory

Introduction

Extensive psychological and organizational research has yielded increasingly refined models of cognition, behavior change, and institutional design. However, longitudinal

indicators of well-being and institutional trust suggest ongoing instability. This raises a structural question: whether a foundational meaning layer that shapes interpretation, valuation, and purposive direction remains insufficiently formalized.

Logoteleology: Structural Clarification

Logoteleology conceptualizes meaning as a generative architecture across six interrelated dimensions: interpretive framing, belief systems, value hierarchies, regulation of inner experience, attitudinal stance, and purposive aims. These operate reciprocally, influencing behavioral and organizational outcomes.

Theoretical Integration

The framework integrates existential psychology (Frankl, 1963), individual psychology (Adler, 1927), analytical psychology (Jung, 1959), social-cognitive theory (Bandura, 1986), positive psychology (Seligman, 2011), and systems theory (von Bertalanffy, 1968), positioning meaning coherence as structurally generative.

Implications for Practice

Applied contexts may benefit from structured clarification of meaning coherence, potentially enhancing self-understanding, situational interpretation, value alignment, autonomy, and purposive action.

Conclusion

Logoteleology offers conceptual clarification within meaning-centered science. Future empirical research is necessary to test theoretical propositions and operationalize constructs.

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