Abstract
The present article analyses the description of family as natural institution. The author determines three meanings of «nature» in the Aristotelian tradition: 1) cosmologic; 2) philosophic restricted and 3) philosophic expanded or metaphysics. The analysis shows that the first two meanings are limited and, consequently, it is also reductive to speak of family as a natural institution. On the contrary, to affirm that family agrees with human nature is correct meanwhile this last term is not emptied out of cultural dimension. Finally, the author remarks the centrality of this last dimension for people and organizations interested in influence in the ideological and sociological battle in course about the concept of family.

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