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National ideology in a multicultural world

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Abstract

This article attempts a social-philosophical analysis of national ideology as a crucial mechanism for expressing national consciousness in a multicultural world. National ideology is viewed as a specific form of ideology, which expresses the interests, needs, and mentality of a national-ethnic community. The authors stress that this phenomenon is associated with the national specificity of its sociocultural context. National ideology is viewed not only in its traditional interpretation as a rational expression of the political interests of a national community - the article emphasizes a special role of a nation's oftentimes unconscious aspiration toward preserving its ethnic boundaries. The author conducts an analysis of national ideology through the prism of the dissonance of narratives in a multicultural society.

Keywords

Dissonance of narratives, Ideology, Multicultural society, National consciousness, National culture, National ideology, Unconscious layer