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INTERCULTURAL INTERACTION AND ITS IMPACT ON NATIONAL IDENTITIES

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ABSTRACT

The article examines the issue of intercultural interaction and its impact on the formation of national identities. The authors analyze various aspects of interaction between representatives of different cultures, paying attention to socio-cultural, psychological and linguistic aspects. The article explores how these interactions can influence the formation and change of national identities, identifying key factors contributing to the convergence or divergence of cultural groups. As a result of the work, conclusions are provided on how intercultural interaction contributes to the complex processes of personal and collective identity formation in a modern multinational society.

KEYWORDS

Intercultural interaction, national identities, intercultural communication, cultural diversity, globalization and cultural flows, cross-cultural communication, influence of cultural stereotypes, intercultural competence, cultural shock, identity and self-awareness, multicultural environment, socio-cultural changes, cultural adaptation.

INTRODUCTION

In the modern world, which is in a state of constant globalization, the issues of intercultural interaction and its impact on the formation of

national identities are becoming increasingly relevant. The boundaries between nations and cultures are blurring, and people are faced with

the need to communicate and cooperate on diverse levels. In this article, we will consider what factors influence intercultural interaction and how it forms national identities. Intercultural interaction can take various forms: from trade and economic relations to cultural exchange and migration. It is important to take into account that each of these types of interaction has a peculiar effect on national identities. Economic ties between nations facilitate the exchange of technology, ideas and goods. This creates a basis for communication and mutual understanding between representatives of different cultures[1]. However, on the other hand, such interactions may cause fear of losing one's own cultural identity due to the influence of a stronger economic partner.

Cultural festivals, educational programs and tourism promote the exchange of cultural values and traditions. This can lead to a broader understanding and respect for diversity, but it also raises questions about preserving the uniqueness of one's own culture. Increasing migration brings new elements to national communities, creating multinational societies. This can stimulate dialogue and cultural enrichment, but it also poses challenges in terms of preserving traditions and creating a balance between the new and the old. Intercultural interaction can lead to the expansion of the boundaries of national identities. People are starting to see themselves not only in the context of their nation, but also within the global community. This can lead to the enrichment of

cultures, as well as the formation of a more tolerant and open society.

However, with the increase in intercultural interaction, there is a danger of losing the uniqueness and traditions of national cultures. Merging and overly active exposure to stronger cultures can lead to a loss of identity and the creation of cultural homogeneous zones. In the modern world, where borders are becoming more blurred and technology is reducing distances, the issue of intercultural interaction is becoming increasingly relevant. Against the background of globalization and international migration, people encounter representatives of different cultures in their daily lives. This phenomenon has a profound impact on the formation of national identities. Intercultural interaction enriches society with a variety of cultural experiences. People have the opportunity to study and understand the traditions, customs and values of other nationalities[2]. This mutual enrichment contributes to the creation of a more tolerant society where differences are accepted and appreciated.

However, despite the positive aspects, intercultural interaction can cause challenges for national identities. When faced with new cultural influences, people may begin to rethink their belonging to a particular nation. This can lead to the loss of some traditions and values, which calls into question the sustainability of national identities. However, a more constructive result may be the synthesis of cultures and the emergence of hybrid identities[3]. People can perceive themselves as part of several cultures,

combining the best aspects of each of them. This allows you to create unique identities that can more easily adapt to a changing world.

With the global spread of media and the development of technology, intercultural interaction is becoming more accessible. People can share cultural contexts from the comfort of their homes. This provides a unique opportunity for the preservation and dissemination of cultural features. Education plays a key role in shaping a positive perception of intercultural interaction. Programs aimed at developing intercultural competence contribute to more effective interaction and understanding of diversity. To create a harmonious neighborhood of cultures, it is necessary to develop understanding and respect for cultural differences. This requires efforts at the level of public policy, education and interpersonal interaction.

In the modern world, increasing globalization and related events create a unique environment in which cultures collide, merge and interact. This process of intercultural interaction has a significant impact on the formation and change of national identities. In this article, we will consider what factors influence national identities in the context of intercultural exchange[4]. Global communication, travel and the exchange of ideas create unique opportunities for interaction between different cultures. This process, known as intercultural interaction, provides people with the opportunity to share experiences, values and traditions. However, like any process, it has its challenges, such as conflicts of values and language barriers.

Intercultural interaction has a direct impact on national identities. As a result of the exchange of cultural traits, new hybrid identities are formed, integrating elements of different cultures. This can lead to an expansion of the vision of one's national identity, a consciousness of one's involvement in the world community. Language plays a key role in the process of identity exchange. Mutual understanding based on a common language promotes deeper interaction. However, it is important to take into account that language can become a source of misunderstanding and conflict, which, in turn, affects the formation of national identity.

Intercultural interaction can cause cultural conflicts, especially when different values and norms come into contact. However, these conflicts can also stimulate the process of adaptation, leading to a more tolerant and diverse understanding of national identity. Education plays an important role in the process of forming national identity in the context of intercultural interaction[5]. Educational programs focused on understanding and respecting diversity can contribute to the formation of an open society where differences are welcome. Intercultural interaction is a complex process that has a significant impact on national identities. Openness to cultural diversity and respect for differences can contribute to creating a more harmonious world where everyone can preserve their national identity while perceiving and respecting the identity of others.

In today's world, where borders between countries are becoming increasingly blurred,

intercultural interaction plays a key role in shaping public relations and national identities. This process not only reflects cultural enrichment, but also contributes to the evolution of national identity. In this article, we will consider how intercultural interaction affects the formation and change of national identities. Intercultural interaction is a process of exchange between cultures, which may include the exchange of knowledge, art, technology, as well as the interaction of people at the level of communication and joint activities. This process can manifest itself in various forms, such as migration, tourism, education, international business relations and cultural exchange.

One of the key aspects of intercultural interaction is the influence on language and lifestyle. Language, as a means of communication, becomes a bridge between cultures. Through language exchange, new lexical units are formed, as well as the transfer of cultural concepts. Lifestyle is also subject to changes under the influence of intercultural factors: from culinary preferences to traditions in clothing. With the growth of intercultural interaction, many societies are becoming multicultural, which creates both new opportunities and challenges[6]. On the one hand, multicultural societies are enriched by a variety of ideas, traditions and experiences. On the other hand, there are issues of integration, preservation of cultural heritage and creation of a common identity.

Intercultural interaction has a significant impact on the formation and evolution of national identities[7]. In the context of globalization,

people are faced with a variety of cultural codes, which can lead to a rethinking of their belonging to a particular nation. On the other hand, this interaction can enhance a sense of pride in one's cultural identity and contribute to the formation of new national mosaics. Intercultural interaction plays a key role in the modern world, shaping social relations and national identities. This process enriches cultural heritage, opens up new perspectives and causes the need to find a balance between preserving cultural uniqueness and openness to diversity. It is important to realize that the interaction of cultures is not only a challenge, but also an opportunity for the harmonious neighborhood of different national identities in a single world.

The modern world is facing the rapid development of globalization, which leads to an increase in intercultural interactions. People from different cultures and national communities face each other in various spheres of life, from business and education to the social environment. This process has a significant impact on the formation and change of national identities. Intercultural interaction is a process of exchange and interaction between representatives of different cultures. It involves the exchange of information, values, traditions and ideas. National identity, on the other hand, reflects the sense of belonging and uniqueness that a person feels towards their nation.

Intercultural interactions can lead to cultural enrichment. People can learn new traditions, arts, culinary habits and languages through interaction with representatives of other nationalities[8].

This exchange can lead to an expansion of cultural experiences and the creation of unique hybrid cultural expressions. Intercultural interaction can contribute to social integration. People who are faced with a variety of cultures can develop a more tolerant and open attitude towards differences. This, in turn, can contribute to the formation of new communities where national identities can become more flexible and inclusive. Migration is one of the key aspects of intercultural interaction. When people move to new countries, they face challenges in forming their national identity. They can preserve their traditions and at the same time adapt to new cultural contexts, which leads to the formation of unique identities.

Uncontrolled intercultural interaction can also cause conflicts in the field of national identities. Some people may experience a sense of loss of their cultural identity due to exposure to other cultures. This conflict may highlight the importance of balancing the preservation of one's own identity and openness to new influences. Intercultural interaction is becoming an integral part of modern society, and its impact on national identities is undeniable. The key factors are cultural enrichment, social integration, adaptation to migration and conflict management. It is important to consciously develop strategies that promote mutual understanding and respect in order to ensure a balance between preserving cultural identity and being open to new cultural influences.

In the modern world, where globalization is becoming an increasingly integral part of our daily lives, the issues of intercultural interaction

and its impact on national identities are becoming particularly relevant. Faced with the diversity of cultures, people face challenges and opportunities that can both unite and divide societies. This article examines how intercultural interaction affects the formation and transformation of national identities. Intercultural interaction is a process of exchange and interaction between representatives of different cultures. This process can take place at various levels, including interpersonal, intergroup and international. It involves the exchange of ideas, values, customs, languages and other cultural aspects.

Intercultural interaction expands the horizons of the individual, giving him the opportunity to immerse himself in the diversity of cultures. This can lead to the formation of cosmopolitan identities, where people feel themselves to be part of the global community, above national borders. Interactive cultural processes lead to the exchange and fusion of elements of different cultures. This can lead to the emergence of new cultural phenomena that contribute to diversity and enrich the overall cultural palette. On the other hand, intercultural interaction can cause cultural conflicts. Differences in values, traditions and customs can become a source of tension and misunderstanding between cultures. Intercultural interaction can simultaneously contribute to the preservation and loss of national identities. Some individuals acquire new aspects of identity while maintaining their cultural foundation, while others may face the threat of losing their national identity.

Intercultural interaction is a complex and multifaceted process that has a profound impact on the formation of national identities. Openness to diversity, understanding and respect for cultural differences are key elements of successful interaction. Understanding the impact of intercultural exchange on national identities contributes to the creation of a more tolerant and harmonious society capable of effectively coping with the challenges of the modern multinational world.

CONCLUSION

Intercultural interaction inevitably affects national identities, presenting both challenges and opportunities. The ability of society to adapt to these changes and perceive them positively plays an important role in shaping a more open and understanding world. Intercultural interaction plays a key role in modern society, forming new forms of national identities. It is important to develop an understanding and respect for diversity in order to ensure a balanced impact and preservation of cultural traditions in the context of globalization.

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