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**LIFE VALUES AND IDEALS OF UKRAINIANS AND EUROPEANS:
COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS**

European values and Ukrainian values share many commonalities, but there are also distinct nuances that reflect each society's unique history, culture, and spirations. Here's a brief overview. European Values:

Democracy and Rule of Law: European societies value democratic governance, rule of law, and respect for human rights as foundational principles.

Human Rights: Respect for individual freedoms, equality, and dignity is paramount. This includes freedom of speech, religion, and assembly.

Multiculturalism: Europe celebrates diversity and multiculturalism, embracing various ethnicities, languages, and cultures within its borders.

Solidarity: Many European nations value social solidarity, supporting welfare systems that provide for the needs of all citizens, including healthcare, education, and social services.

Environmental Sustainability: Concern for the environment and sustainability is increasingly important in European values, with efforts to address climate change and promote green technologies.

In Europe, there are many organizations that protect human values. In particular, «The European Values think tank is a non» – governmental policy institute defending liberal democracy. They help to face aggressive regimes, radicalisation within the society, the spread of authoritarian tendencies and extremist ideologies including Islamism [3].

Ukrainian Values:

National Identity: Ukrainian values often revolve around a strong sense of national identity, rooted in a long history of struggle for independence and cultural heritage.

Freedom and Independence: Ukrainians highly value freedom and independence, especially given their history of Soviet rule and more recent conflicts with Russia.

Family and Community: Family bonds and community ties are significant in Ukrainian culture, with importance placed on familial support networks and communal traditions.

Patriotism: Love for one's country and patriotism are prominent Ukrainian values, particularly in the context of recent geopolitical tensions and efforts to assert national sovereignty.

Resilience and Determination: Ukrainians have demonstrated resilience and determination in the face of challenges, including political upheaval, economic hardships, and ongoing conflict in Eastern Ukraine.

For example, at Sumy State University, we conducted a survey of students about the values of the heroes of the Ukrainian folk dumas. According to the results of the survey, «60% of Ukrainian students perceive heroes of the dumas as defenders of their native land, for whom Cossack glory is higher than material status (“Cossack Golota”, “Ivan Konovchenko”, “Three Brothers of Samara”)» [1, p. 7].

In general, we can read about the life values of Ukrainians at the following link [2]: <https://life.pravda.com.ua/society/2022/08/24/250154/>

While European and Ukrainian values converge in areas like democracy, human rights, and multiculturalism, the specific historical, cultural, and geopolitical contexts of Ukraine give rise to distinct emphases on national identity, independence, and resilience.

Spiritual values play a profound role in a person's life, guiding their beliefs, behaviors, and sense of purpose. Here are several key aspects of their role:

Meaning and Purpose: Spiritual values provide individuals with a sense of meaning and purpose in life. They help individuals understand their place in the world and give them a framework to make sense of their experiences.

Morality and Ethics: Spiritual values often form the basis of moral and ethical principles. They guide individuals in distinguishing right from wrong and help shape their decisions and actions in accordance with their beliefs.

Inner Peace and Well-being: Many people find that spiritual practices such as meditation, prayer, or mindfulness contribute to their inner peace and overall well-being. These practices can help individuals manage stress, cultivate gratitude, and find solace during difficult times.

Connection and Community: Spiritual values often emphasize the importance of connection, both with oneself and with others. They can foster a sense of community and belonging, as individuals come together to share their beliefs, values, and experiences.

Resilience and Coping: Spiritual values can provide a source of strength and resilience in the face of adversity. They offer individuals comfort, hope, and a sense of perspective, helping them cope with challenges and find meaning even in difficult circumstances.

Personal Growth and Transformation: Spirituality is often seen as a journey of personal growth and transformation. It encourages individuals to explore deeper aspects of themselves, confront their fears and limitations, and strive for greater self-awareness and self-improvement.

Overall, spiritual values can profoundly enrich a person's life, offering guidance, support, and a sense of connection to something greater than oneself. They provide a foundation for living a meaningful and fulfilling life aligned with one's deepest beliefs and aspirations.

So, traditions play a significant role in preserving spiritual values across cultures and generations. Here's how:

Transmission of Wisdom: Traditions often contain deep spiritual insights and wisdom passed down from ancestors. Through rituals, stories, and practices, these values are transmitted to successive generations, ensuring their continuity.

Community Bonding: Many spiritual traditions involve communal rituals and gatherings. These shared experiences create a sense of belonging and unity among participants, fostering a supportive environment for the cultivation of spiritual values.

Cultural Identity: Traditions are closely tied to cultural identity. They serve as markers of a community's history, beliefs, and values. By preserving traditions, communities maintain a connection to their spiritual heritage and uphold their unique identity.

Sense of Continuity: In a rapidly changing world, traditions provide a sense of continuity and stability. They offer a timeless framework within which individuals can explore and deepen their spiritual understanding, even as external circumstances evolve.

Rituals for Transcendence: Rituals and ceremonies are often central to spiritual traditions. These practices create opportunities for individuals to connect with

something greater than themselves, whether it be the divine, nature, or the collective consciousness of humanity.

Ethical Guidance: Many spiritual traditions offer ethical guidelines for living a virtuous life. Through stories, teachings, and commandments, these traditions provide practical wisdom for navigating moral dilemmas and making ethical choices.

Healing and Transformation: Spiritual traditions often include practices for healing and personal transformation. Whether through meditation, prayer, or sacred rituals, these practices help individuals cultivate inner peace, resilience, and spiritual growth.

Connection to the Sacred: Traditions serve as bridges to the sacred realm, helping individuals connect with the divine or the sacred aspects of existence. Through symbols, myths, and sacred texts, traditions offer glimpses into the mysteries of life and the universe.

In summary, traditions play a vital role in preserving spiritual values by transmitting wisdom, fostering community, maintaining cultural identity, providing continuity, facilitating transcendence, offering ethical guidance, promoting healing and transformation, and connecting individuals to the sacred. Besides, «In the process of intercultural communication, students learn a foreign culture, evaluate socially normalised habits, traditions, customs of other peoples through the prism of their own culture, exchange opinions and ideas. In this respect, crosscultural education helps to build up understanding between representatives of different nations, develop tolerance to cultural and ethnic differences, create a platform where common values and aspirations unite young people from different parts of the world» [1, p. 7].

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UNITED BY THE INTERNATIONAL LANGUAGE BRIDGE ACTIVITY: UKRAINIAN-ENGLISH INTERCULTURAL DIALOGUE

Interaction between people in modern society is impossible without a desire to understand other cultures. This is achieved through dialogue between them. How to make this process successful, especially if communication takes place in Ukraine in online mode. An active language learning with a native speaker enhances the effectiveness of speech, helps students in achieving fluency, grammar perfection.

The aim is to analyze an international language bridge activity with Ukrainian and International students, to improve intercultural dialogue.

Let's analyze the concept of "intercultural communication". Intercultural communication is verbal and non-verbal interaction between people from different cultures. Sometimes the term is used to describe one person trying to interact in a foreign environment, but more often the term is used in the context of people from two or more cultures trying to understand each other [2].

Intercultural dialogue occurs when members of different cultural groups, who hold conflicting opinions and assumptions, speak to one another in acknowledgment of those differences. Wishing to present his or her own views and have them heard, each participant agrees to listen to the views of the other(s) in exchange. Intercultural dialogue is co-constructed, requiring the cooperation of participants to engage in different ways of interacting [1].