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The Use of Ethnological Knowledge in State Governance. The Russian Experience

The notions about the subject and research agendas within our discipline do not remain unchanged. Contemplating the relationship between science and government and the real practical role of science within society, as experts who are professionally interested in issues of ethnicity, we are interested in the practical social significance of ethnological knowledge. Over the last two decades, the applied significance of ethnology in Russia has gone through a number of changes, with a marked increase in the variety of spheres in which ethnological knowledge can be applied. The paper discusses the Russian experience of using ethnological knowledge in state governance.

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