

The importance of cultural identities in regional conflicts: Analyst of Spain and Catalonia

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Abstract:

The territorial projection of identities has acquired special importance in an era characterized by social fracture and individual benefits. In the case of Spain and Catalonia, the territorial conflict finds its roots in two different identities in which, throughout history, the devitalization of the first one has empowered the second, making the coexistence of both impossible. Nowadays, when the Autonomous State is cracking and the precarious classes are abandoned, the difference between the two societies seems bigger. However, after the Covid-19 pandemic this dynamic can be reversed. A process in which, urban geography will not be indifferent linking the social problem with the territorial conflict.

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