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### **Victor Petrov as a representative of the Philosophy in Soviet Ukraine**

My report will be devoted to the consideration and evaluation of philosophical ideas of Victor Petrov (1894-1969), contained in the works published in Soviet Ukraine in the second half of the 20th century. This time corresponds to the third period in the biography of Viktor Petrov, which covers 50-60 years of the 20th century.

During this period Viktor Petrov devotes a number of his works (*The origin of the Ukrainian people*, 1947, *Scythians. Language and ethnicity*, 1968, *Ethnogenesis of the Slavs. Sources, stages of development and issues*, edition 1972) to the methodological problems of Ukrainian studies, in particular, the problems of the ethnogenesis of the Slavs and the origin of the Ukrainian people.

Within the Soviet period, Viktor Petrov is working on applying his ideas in the field of philosophy of history, which were published in the emigration journals, to a specific material of the development of ancient Ukrainian culture.

In the report, I will reveal Viktor Petrov's approach to solving the problem of the origin and ethnogenesis of the Ukrainian people. Its essence is to reveal the "ideological" pairs of "categories" of the corresponding "era". These categorical couples, according to the scientist, also act as "codes" of the unique cultural and historical genesis of ethnic groups, including Ukrainian ones. The key stages of the formation of the Ukrainian ethnic group are the key moments: "maternal-fatherhood", "husbandry-cattle breeding", "equality-inequality", "war-trade", "closed-dialogue", or "particularism-universalism".

Also in the report will be revealed Viktor Petrov's methodological principle of studying the problems of ethnogenesis, according to which in the study of ethnogenesis there should be a balance between archaeological and linguistic sources.

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