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The conducted project work was focused on investigation of meanings and patterns of articulation of the ethnic level of emergent world society, its structure and transformations, particularly, as these are shaped by the unfolding dynamics of the third wave of democratization (Huntington 1991) in multiethnic countries. The project's theoretical framework on issues of ethnic peace was applied to a comparative study of ethnopolitical conflict management in a sample of East European countries (Baltic states, Romania, Moldova). Typological parallels, where appropriate, were made with similar processes and outcomes in the earlier cluster of democratic transitions and consolidations in South Europe (Spain, Italy).

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