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We're the sons of the Pharaohs and we're proud to be Egyptians – Taking pride in history as a crucial element of shaping Egyptians' identity on the basis of selected songs and video clips from 2011-2016

Egypt is one of the oldest countries in the world believed to be the cradle of civilization, which is frequently pointed out by its citizens. Egyptians, both Muslims and Christians, are very proud of their country and its history. Contemporary Egypt constitutes a rich and colourful mosaic of tradition and modernity. Once the country ruled by Pharaohs, it is visited by tourists from all over the world eager to see their legacy, for instance the tomb of Cheops considered one of the seven wonders of the ancient world – the only surviving till this day.

The speaker shall present results of her analysis of selected songs and patriotic video clips from 2011-2016 in terms of their influence of pride of history (mainly ancient) upon shaping national identity of inhabitants of the country on the Nile. The author believes that, among others, through such songs specific and desired citizenship attitudes are created. In consequence, this should lead to strengthening patriotic feelings and effective cooperation of citizens (Muslims and Christians – which is also significant in her opinion) to the benefit of the country. She also points out that this type of activity can be particularly helpful in difficult for the country moments and prevent potential problems Egypt may face in the future.