

5 Cultures

5.1 From abroad

Bi- (two nations) and multinational (involving several nations) couples live in - sometimes in between - two cultures. This often results in different of opinions on topics such as education, family or money. The concept of family is often understood in different ways:

- Who counts as family?
- Who in the family needs our financial support?
- Who has a say in questions regarding upbringing?
- Which holidays are celebrated and how?
- ...

The mix of cultures also has its benefits. Hiltrud Stöcker-Zafari, Deputy Federal Director of the Association of Binational Families and Partnerships, www.iaf.de: "The partners often find it a broadening of their horizons to gain direct insights into everyday life of other countries, into the family life of another culture, they are more curious and interested in people of foreign countries, the partnership offers opportunities to examine one's own attitudes and positions and opens up a variety of behavioral possibilities," says Stöcker-Zafari.

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5.2 Living in Liechtenstein

It is important and necessary that people living here, are familiar with the local traditions and cultures ... or familiarize themselves with them. Otherwise, parallel worlds ... and problems arise. It makes a difference whether both partners are from a foreign country or not.

- If one partner comes from Liechtenstein, he/she can bring the other closer to his/her own culture, the country, explain and familiarize them with it. This includes topics like residence, education, marriage, community, health, duties, rights, religion, social security, state, traffic and many more.
- If both partners come from abroad and even from different cultures/countries, it is even more important that they take an interest in the current country they live in, Liechtenstein, proactively inform themselves and familiarize themselves with the local traditions, culture and occurrences.

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