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The coursebook Sociopolitical Lexis (introductory and main courses) has been designed to the university students aiming to build linguistic and intercultural competences on social and political lexicon. It is urgent necessity today to study sociopolitical terms, vocabulary, collocations due to the fact that socio-political publications cover a variety of social and political events taking place around the world: articles about the international, governmental and public organizations and political parties, military conflicts, wars, process of world globalization, nuclear arms, national issues, economic crises, etc.

The given course book covers a variety of exercises, tasks and activities which are oriented to master sociopolitical lexis and to express students' thoughts, ideas and viewpoints on social and political events that are topical in the world today.

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PREFACE

The coursebook Sociopolitical lexis (introductory course) is designed for B2 level English students. The purpose of the coursebook is to facilitate students' mastering of their intercultural communicative competence through a multifold approach to language learning. This includes:

- improving reading and listening comprehension of mass media texts,
- providing opportunities for developing speaking and writing skills in typical mass media situations
- building up their topical vocabulary knowledge base

The coursebook consists of four units each dealing with a popular sociopolitical topic:

1. Home and foreign policy
2. International cooperation (visits, negotiations, agreements, treaties).
3. International organizations (congresses, conferences, meetings).
4. Mass Media.

The students will find abundant material for reading, speaking, listening and writing on the above topics. There is also sufficient information as well as tasks to enable students' independent work outside the classroom. The benefit of students' independent work away from the classroom will allow for more creative activities to be conducted in the classroom.

The Additional Material section of the coursebook includes the **wordlist**, transcripts of recordings/videos as well guidelines for conducting roundtable discussions, making presentations and other useful background materials.

When selecting the material and the lexical minimum of the target vocabulary for the collection, the following were used:

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