

Abstract

Theses focuses on manifestations of principle of separation of powers in European Union. Aim of theses is to find manifestations of the principle of separation of powers and manifestations of forms government in the horizontal distribution of powers of highest bodies in European union named in article 13 (1) of the Treaty of European Union. Theses also aims to identify factors that affect this distribution of powers.

Theses is divided into chapters in which are manifestations of the principle of separation of powers in European union elaborated. Opening chapter focuses on describing separation of powers in its general meaning, different approaches of this term, historical genesis of principle of separation of powers, components of principle of separation of powers and forms of government. Next chapters focus on objective of this theses. In these chapters we analyse distribution of powers in European union, interactions between highest bodies in European union and also similarities between forms of government and the system of European union. Generally speaking this thesis offers description and analysis of distribution of powers in European union which contributes to discussions about possible changes in the horizontal distribution of powers of highest bodies of European union.

Conclusion of this thesis is that legislative power in the horizontal distribution of powers of highest bodies in European union is being dominated by principle of institutional balance but globally there are intensive manifestations of the principle of separation of powers primarily in judicial power, separation of persons and in checks and balances. Regarding the manifestations of forms of government the conclusion was that the horizontal distribution of powers of highest bodies in European union is partly similar to every given form of government which means overall it is not possible to apply any given form of government as a whole to this system. Important conclusion of this thesis is also fact that the level of federalisation which has been reached by European union has significant impact on horizontal distribution of powers of highest bodies in European Union. From some point of view has this kind of an impact also democratization of European union but that depends on the fact if there is a democratic deficit in this distribution of powers or not.