

**Abstract:**

The topic of this bachelor thesis is research on how the Czechoslovak daily *Rudé právo* and the Soviet daily *Pravda* wrote about the perestroika/přestavba reforms. In particular, the thesis focuses on whether there were differences between these periodicals when writing about perestroika/přestavba, and whether, in the case of *Rudé právo*, the hesitant attitude of the Communist Party of Czechoslovakia towards these reforms was reflected in the articles about them. The analysis will focus primarily on four aspects: how perestroika/přestavba was defined; on democratization; on glasnost; and on the connection between perestroika/přestavba and revolution. The thesis also includes chapters dealing with the very notion of perestroika, the situation in the Soviet Union and Czechoslovakia since the mid-1980s, and the situation of newspapers at this time. These chapters serve primarily to form the basis for the subsequent analysis of articles in *Rudé právo* and *Pravda*.

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