

Abstract

This thesis is dedicated to the sub-regional cooperation in Central Europe within the framework of the Visegrad Group. The aim of the thesis is to describe the role of the Visegrad cooperation in the democratic transformation of the Czech Republic, Hungary, Poland and Slovakia and integration to the EU and NATO. The thesis investigates the economic, political and cultural cooperation of the Visegrad Group since its establishment until today. In the conclusion I point out the viability of the Visegrad four in the enlarged EU, when the joint representation of Central Europe remains crucial and the experience of the Visegrad countries can be exemplary for the transformation of the EU's immediate neighborhood.