Abstract

This bachelor’s thesis focuses on selection of archival formats for the purposes of long term preservation of electronic publications within the Czech e-deposit system. It analyzes the current situation in the Czech Republic and, on the basis of a sample of seven foreign institutions, compares it with foreign approaches and experiences. The first part of the thesis deals with the electronic formats of electronic books on the theoretical side. Based on the market analysis, the formats relevant to the Czech market for electronic publications are identified and the risks of the individual formats are described with regard to the possibilities of their long-term preservation. The second part is devoted to case studies in which the format policies of foreign libraries dealing with long-term archiving of electronic publications are documented. An analysis of electronic publications, voluntarily deposited by the publisher to the NL CR during the pilot operation of the e-deposit system, is also performed. The conclusion of the thesis summarizes the findings in the form of recommendations for archival formats for the further development of the Czech e-deposit system.