

Abstract

This thesis deals with an Airbnb phenomenon and its influence on change of spatial patterns of tourism. Airbnb is dynamically growing in recent years and it is mostly concentrated in city centres which can have many negative impacts. In spite of that there are few researches focused on impacts of Airbnb in Prague. The object of this thesis is to find how Airbnb initiates change of spatial patterns of tourism in Prague compared to Vienna and Berlin. The thesis examines spatial distribution of Airbnb and compares it with hotels and other accommodation facilities. Quantitative analysis of secondary data which are provided by independent server Inside Airbnb and data from national or municipal statistical offices is used. Airbnb concentrates itself mostly in city center of all three cities and it is most visible in Prague. Airbnb is also most commercialized in Prague, especially in its city centre. Compared to Vienna and Berlin there were not observed any significant changes of spatial patterns of tourism in Prague.