

## **Abstract**

This thesis deals with the hybrid warfare phenomenon and its development after 2014. It was then that the Russian Federation violated the principles of the international community and, through its actions, contributed to destabilization of Ukraine. Russian-Ukrainian conflict is mostly described as a hybrid war, although there is still no generally accepted consensus on its definition. Part of this one-case study is devoted to presenting an academic debate on this phenomenon which is then used to analyze the war in eastern Ukraine. This paper examines the various means of hybrid warfare used by the Russian Federation towards its western neighbour to destabilize it politically, economically, security-wise and socially in order to confirm that the Russian hostile activity in the Donbas region in the first phase of the conflict was hybrid warfare.