The student studied the phenomenon of “Fortress Europe”, and he tried to find out how this term is used by its supporters. His field of study has not been studied yet, so he had no previous knowledge to base his analysis on. Therefore, he combined quantitative and qualitative methods to select case studies, which he studied in detail. The opponent demands on more developed methodology showed to be exaggerated. He came with new conclusions, which (by commission appeal) should be studied more in the future.