

## Abstract

The diploma thesis deals with a case of cross-border cooperation in the European Union, namely the cross-border cooperation of health emergency services in the Šumava Euroregion. The research focuses mainly on how this cooperation has been arranged and how the European integration theory can be applied to this case study. The diploma thesis analyzes the role of different actors, what contracts were needed for the cross-border cooperation, how the negotiation of the project took place, where the initiative for this cross-border cooperation originated or what complications occurred. The topic of cross-border cooperation of health emergency services is a practical example of European integration and therefore it also includes the study of cross-border cooperation of regions in the European Union, the role of EU funds for regional development and last but not least the EU health policy. The thesis is based on the theory of European territorial integration, which is characterized by the disappearance of the border and suppression of the unilateral orientation of the state inland. Furthermore, there are related theories of regional development and new regionalism. It also works with the theory of shared sovereignty, which inevitably comes with deeper integration. The theme of the diploma theses is time limited. From 1989, when the Iron Curtain fell and the first beginnings of cross-border cooperation began. To September 2019, when it was decided to revise the Framework Agreement of cross-border cooperation of health emergency services between the Czech Republic and Germany.