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The Loket castle and city history begins in the High Middle Ages. The city likely started to develop in response to the importance of the castle and its foundation/establishment is connected to the big founding wave of the king Přemysl Otakar II. From the beginning the castle was built as an important point of the royal administration and protection of the land border and it held its importance all throughout the Middle Ages. Thus it's for example mentioned in Majesty of Charles IV. among royal castles that cannot under any circumstances be stolen or pledged to someone. Rulers of the Luxembourg dynasty played an important role in the appearance of several royal residences and cities, in addition to that Loket is connected to the short episode in the life of Charles IV. Hence the goal of this thesis is to trace down the historical development of the Loket castle and city during the rule of the Luxembourg dynasty in Czech lands, particularly the architectural and constructional transformations, connections of the burgraves of Loket, Loket's townsmen and other important local individuals to the Prague's royal court and possible personal connections of the rulers of Luxembourg dynasty to Loket.