

## **Title of the thesis in English**

Article VI of the Outer Space Treaty and its implementation in Czech Republic

### **Abstract**

This thesis deals with the international responsibility of the state for national activities in outer space, and more specifically with issues related to such responsibility as the interpretation of Article VI of the Outer Space Treaty and its implementation in national legislation, especially in the Czech Republic. The aim of this work is to comprehensively describe and then analyse the legal regime of space law, focusing on Article VI of the Outer Space Treaty and its effects on legal regulation in the Czech Republic.

The first and second parts of the thesis present the general theory and development of space law, together with the presentation of the responsibility of the state under international public law, and in this case also subsequently described with reference to space law.

The third part of the thesis focuses on the creation of Article VI of the Outer Space Treaty and analyses its provisions. It raises its issue, in particular, the vagueness of the terms contained in the article and this, consequently, constitutes a difference of interpretation of that article. This part also addresses the links of Article VI to Articles VII and VIII of the Outer Space Treaty.

The fourth part addresses the basic principles that states should bear in mind when drafting national space law regulations. At the same time, it lists some of the relevant objectives that national legislators are seeking to achieve with such legislation.

Part five aims at presenting the Czech activities in outer space, with this part providing relevant information on the current state of space activities in the Czech Republic in the field of industry, scientific sphere, etc. It also presents the Czech Republic's objectives and vision in this field, together with the indication of membership of the relevant international organisations through which the Czech Republic conducts space activities.

The current legislation on space law in the Czech Republic is discussed in part six by the author of the thesis. This legislation is presented and then evaluated with an emphasis on its sufficiency, both for the current state of space activities and for future developments in this area.

In Part Seven, attention is paid to the currently prepared draft of the substantive purpose of the space law in the Czech Republic. Subsequently, a comparison of selected national laws on space law is made, and at the end, the author presents a draft *de lege ferenda* of the Czech space law.