

In 1957 the eastern block coped with the crisis of the year 1956, destalinization and with the uprising in Hungary. I tried to observe the particular levels of this coping and consolidation in Czechoslovakia in my thesis. I focused on development of policy, economy and ideology in Czechoslovakia in 1957. I had a respect to the development of social policy, culture and science. I looked at the situation in Czechoslovakia in its territorial and time context.

In the first chapter I have written the characteristics of political system in Czechoslovakia in 1957 and described its particular components. Subsequent chapters are sentenced in chronological sequence. There are three main periods in the year 1957: 1. from January to June – it is the period of reaction to Hungarian uprising. 2. from June do September – consolidation of the regime in Czechoslovakia and in Soviet Union. 3. from September to December – the triumph of communistic regimes connected with the launch of the satellite Sputnik 1 and the anniversary of October revolution in 1917 in Russia. I divided these main chapters into smaller sections, which observe the political development, economical development and the development of ideology in these periods.