

The methodology of drug-related crimes in theory and practice

ABSTRACT

This thesis is focused on issues of drug-related crimes, mainly from the investigative point of view. This means from the point of view of the methods and techniques that are used by police authority. According to the inherent connection between criminalistics and criminal law, the thesis also reflects procedural aspects of the acts and descriptions of particular crimes under criminal substantive law.

The thesis consists of an introduction, eight chapters and a conclusion. The first chapter is dedicated to definition of particular terms which are commonly used within this topic. Each definition is expounded upon in the context of legal development. The system of legal adjustment is compared with foreign systems. The second chapter analyses the structure of relationships and positions of each person within the drug's hierarchy which are reflected in investigative tactics.

A description of the criminal acts under criminal substantive law is contained in the third chapter. This description must be included to properly explain the facts of the case.

The chapter number four examines the legal adjustment of police authority's procedure and the options and methods of international cooperation. Through of the existence of unified code of criminal procedure, the procedure of police authority within the investigation enjoys special adjustment, contained in different acts.

The fifth chapter is the pivotal one, according to the methodology of investigation, as it represents the methods and techniques which are particular to the investigation of drug-related crimes. The theory of each act is enriched with the description of its use in practice. Some new aspects of investigation are contained in the sixth chapter.

The seventh chapter represents the analytic section. Two court files related to drug crimes have been chosen to demonstrate the whole procedure and methods which were employed in practice.