

Abstract

Title: Optimising regulations in Czech professional football

Objectives: The main objective of the thesis is to identify the strengths and weaknesses of the regulation of Czech professional football. Another objective was to create a comprehensive set of information on the possibilities of regulation in professional football.

Methods: The research was conducted through a combination of comparison, descriptive analysis and in-depth interviews, with the object of interest being the governing bodies of Czech professional competitions and professional clubs playing in the Czech Republic.

Results: The research has shown that the level of intervention of governing bodies in Czech football is close to the optimum, as at the moment no instrument has been reliably identified that would provide ideal conditions for the development of Czech football in its entire complex form. More activity should be directed by the FAČR to the area of effective control over youth football, as this is what it largely finances. On the other hand, the management of professional football in adult categories should continue to be of a liberal nature. The FAČR could take the example of the type C criterion from the comparing licensing regulations, the non-compliance with which is not directly sanctioned, but clearly shows the direction in which clubs should go.

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