

## 12. Summary

My master's degree thesis discusses the food law of the Czech Republic and comparatives with the food law of Ireland. I have chosen this topic, because, I think, that this topic is very interesting and very important for all our life. Everyone has to eat and drink anything every day, but nobody wants to be taken ill by some illness from contaminated food, and therefore the main purpose of food law is to ensure food safety and protect health of consumers.

Firstly this thesis is concerned with history of food law in the Czech Republic and The European Union. History of Czech food law began in the early 20<sup>th</sup> century. This period was very successful for food law. Next chapter deals with basic principles of European food law and the most important documents and regulations. At the present, The European Union has got a main role in the European food law and EU consolidates this law within EU and it wants to ensure food safety, animal health, animal welfare and plant health. The main principle of european food safety is „from the farm to the fork“. It means, that each step (subject or object) of food web is very important for final product and food safety. One of the subchapters of chapter describes international organizations (e.g. Codex Alimentarius), which deal with food law within international business.

The other chapter deals with a description of food law system in Ireland in comparison in czech food law. But Ireland is also a member of EU and therefore law systems of these countries aren't more different, but there are some differences, because some parts of european food law are regulated by directives (there is some discretion for each countries).

The last chapter is concerned with food labelling in the Czech Republic. Food labelling enables czech (european) consumers to get comprehensive information on the contents and the composition of food products and therefore it helps consumers to make an informed choice between some kind of foodstuffs.

I think, that the future food legislation should have same aims as present enactment – there are protection of consumer and his health, food safety and animal health. Only this resource is possible solution for efficient food law.