

The thesis is focused on topical problems which are solved by the European Union at present. Increasing the number of countries of the European Union as well as deepening the integration are two focal points of the thesis. Firstly, potential candidates and new members of the European Union are judged within the topic of increasing the number of the EU countries. A specific problem is comprised by the country of Turkey which opens a lot of questions by its membership. Secondly, the analysis of the economic integration in Euro area and the process of political unification connected with the acceptance of the Lisbon treaty create the main part of the topic of deepening the integration.