

## **Essential problems of alternative family care (comparison of the Czech and Spanish legal regulation)**

In my thesis I have concentrated on the contemporary situation of alternative family care. There are various forms of alternative family care e. g. the adoption, foster care, institutional education and fosterage.

The most important for my thesis was the adoption, because during the adoption is being created a new family and also because through this form of alternative family care could be created a relationship between adoptive child and adoptive parent, which is similar to the relationship between the parents and their own child. Furthermore, a child can be assigned to the foster care, fosterage or institutional education. These mentioned forms are important and they have to first of all protect the interests of a child. The choice of one of these forms of alternative family care has to be in accordance with the individual circumstances and needs and as well with the situation of the child's own family.

For my thesis I have chosen the comparison of the two legal regulations (Czech and Spanish), because it was more interesting to read and compare how is the alternative family care regulated in the legal system of another country than just in the Czech legal system. My choice of the comparison with Spanish legal system was influenced mainly by my study stay in Granada in Spain.

The alternative family care and its types will be always very important part of everyday life. There will be always children, who need other families than their own families to take care of them. Every child has right to grow up in the harmonious family environment and if it is not possible in his own family, it is necessary to give a chance to other people, who have will and necessary financial resources to be able to take care or raise someone else's child.

I have divided my thesis into several chapters. First I wrote about the alternative family care in the Czech legal system, then in the Spanish legal system and finally I stated the main differences between these two legal systems.