Abstract

Diploma thesis „Nordic Cooperation. Its Transformation in the Second Half of the 20th Century and Its Current Shape“ deals with the Nordic cooperation among Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway and Sweden from the second half of the 20th century with the focus on the period from the 1990s till 2008. At the beginning, there is an introduction to the history of cooperation in Scandinavia till the 1990s and a description of two main institutions of the Nordic cooperation: the Nordic Council and the Nordic Council of Ministers. The main chapter analyses the Nordic cooperation from the 1990s, it focuses on areas and intensity of the cooperation and describes concrete programmes, projects, institutions, targets and results of the cooperation. The thesis also deals with the question of the impact of the three Baltic States involvement in the Nordic cooperation in the 1990s. The answer is that the internal Nordic cooperation has been developing very intensively – it was demonstrated by the analysis of the Nordic cooperation in the 1990s in the main chapter – without any affecting of the Baltic States involvement in the main. On the contrary, the Baltic States involvement has brought the external opportunity for the Nordic countries to integrate into the cooperation in the Baltic Sea region.