

Diploma thesis „Transformation of Irish Regional Policy, 2000-2006“ deals with changes that occurred in regional policy in Ireland at the end of 20th century. After distinct economic growth during the 90s, which was enabled mostly by the European Union grants, came severe restriction of this financial aid. The aim of this thesis is to analyze the process of transformation of Irish regional policy, which was caused by development of European regional policy at the end of 20th century. Apart from the policy analysis, it focuses also on the context of its origin and development, which is shaped by actors not only at the state level, but also at regional and European levels. For interpretation of the analysis theories of policy analysis, Europeanisation and multi- level governance are used.