

## **Annotation**

Diploma thesis “Free Movement of Services – The focus on Eastern Enlargement of the European Union” describes the development of the internal market of services of the European Union in view of the recent developments to complete liberalization of this market through the adoption of Directive 2006/123/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of the 12th December 2006 on Services in the Internal Market. The Eastern Enlargement of ten new countries partly affected the whole development, because it caused the reestablishment of some protectionist measures in the form of the transitional periods. The aim of this thesis is to analyze the situation on the market of services in the European Union after the admission of at least eight countries from Central and Eastern Europe, and to understand each of these steps, which have lead some states to these protectionist measures.

For a greater understanding of my diploma thesis, I tried to explain some important definitions and terms in the first part of the thesis, which can help the reader to easily understand the following sections of the essay. The other chapter presents, in brief, the historical genesis of the internal market of services in the European Union putting greater emphasis on the important milestones such as the founding treaties and documents of primary, but also the secondary law of the EU and their proceedings. The chapter ends with the passage about the role of the Court of Justice of the European Union, its judgments, which had the fundamental impact on the freedom of services and the theoretical reflection about the role of the Court of Justice of the European Union. The following chapter represents the gradual negotiations regarding the Directive of Services, its impact, the content and the professional assessment. The fourth part of the thesis looks at Eastern Enlargement and its subsequent effect on the development of the market of services in the EU, especially in the market of the new adopted countries. This section of this last chapter contains theoretical analysis, based on Moravcsik’s theory of the liberal intergovernmentalism.