

## **Between King and Estates.**

### **Lower Lusatian Land Administration on the Threshold of the Modern Age (1490–1620)**

#### **Abstract**

The PhD thesis tries to describe the main changes in Lower Lusatia and the operation of the land administrators between 1490 and 1620. It is based on comparison of the situation in all Lands of the Czech Crown, namely in Bohemia, whereas special attention is paid to the description of the family background, family relationships, the career life and agenda of individual administrators. The thesis also researches the reasons which led Czech Kings to the appointment of land administrators and tries to answer the question how much land administrators influenced events in Lower Lusatia. The Lower Lusatian estates played an important role as well and both, land administrators and Czech Kings, could repeatedly experience their increasing power during the monitored period. For this reason the PhD thesis is focused on land administrators as mediators of power between kings and estates.

#### **Key words**

Early Modern Age, Czech Crown, Lower Lusatia, land administration