

The main subject of this work is the municipality constitution and functioning of municipalities in Bohemia in the end of the 19th and the beginning of the 20th century and the influence of communal elites on their running. The presented work defines a communal elite and describes the mechanisms of the local elections and the influence of these mechanisms on the formation of the elites.

The research is focused on the city of Písek in southern Bohemia, the concrete influence of common legal regulations, the process of local elections and the structure of the municipal council in the city.