

Abstract

Jan Trnka, „German-Chinese Rule of Law Dialogue: Quantitative Analysis of Projects, 2000-2010“ (bachelors‘ thesis, Charles University, 2011): 57 s.

During the last 10 years, the German-Chinese Rule of Law Dialogue (Deutsch-Chinesischer Rechtsstaatsdialog) has developed into one of the most significant axes of Sino-German relations. Although the attention is paid to its yearly official symposia, its core is has been formed by various state actors, academic institutions and NGOs that have administrated its long-term projects (such as consulting service in various fields of rule of law, but also research in international law, translation of both sides‘ legislation, joint curricula etc.). Naturally, these partial projects differ significantly in its thematic scope, profile of attendees and also in its formats. Therefore, the thesis is focused on providing at least partial answers to most pressing issues, the dialogue faces today which is the thematic relevance and measurable achievements of its primary objectives.

Firstly, the analysis focuses on broader historical, political and practical motives for the establishment of the rule of law dialogue. Its normative part focuses on political discourse over the main aims of the future mechanism. The second quantitative chapter provides detailed description of the basic variables. Following correlation analysis provides more in depth look into relations between the different natures of specific projects. Applying the *Policy Transfer* Framework for structuring the research, the thesis lays down the observation that the Dialogue has been split between vague or general academic and civil projects on one side, and sophisticated and technical, yet opaque, consulting on the other. The analysis may serve for better understanding the rule of law projects in order to foster its further (namely qualitative) research.