Resume

The work surveys the prosopography of members of the Economic Commission of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Czechoslovakia and its expert subcommissions which worked between the years 1945 and 1948. In respect to criteria of the selection to the commission a former professional career and education are mainly concerned. The work contributes to the history of the middle class in former Czechoslovakia and it sets out to account for inclination of these people towards the project of socialist society and their commitment to take part in a communist movement after the world war. As the main agenda of the commission is focused together with beliefs and expectations which were articulated in connection with the project of socialist society the work attempts to describe motives of personal involvement of the members of the commission in the postwar social transformation as well as the way they adopted the socialist ideology.