

Abstract

The master thesis *The party systems of the Visegrad group in crisis?* analyzes the condition of party systems in Central Europe, with emphasis on recent electoral and political developments. It focuses on the study of various phenomena that slow down or even prevent the consolidation and crystallization of competitive party systems. Emphasis is placed on research using qualitative as well as quantitative methods, especially the comparative method and application of the theoretical concept of *business firm party*. The aim is not only to map and identify problematic processes and phenomena that party systems show, but also on the structural classification of a famous G. Sartori and J. Blondel theoretical concepts.