

## **Abstrakt**

Foundations are civil society organizations that achieve charitable goals through the wealth usage. From both – historical and legislative point of view they achieve these aims by using profits generated by the wealth they possess. Foundations' setting up process due to historical events in the Czech area has been interrupted. Foundations sectors renaissance in the 1990's brought a unique tool – endowment capital. The foundation assets serve as a way to preserve the value of foundation's possessions as well as a way to generate a sustained long-term income. The aim of this diploma thesis is to research and evaluate whether Czech foundations use the foundation assets effectively, i.e. if the asset has a potential to be a source of a long-term income. Specifically I am investigating foundation equity volume of the Czech foundations, what kind of investment instruments they use and whether the foundation assets portfolios are diversified.