

Summary

This thesis is concerned on topic Instruments of environmental protection in Czech law. It exists a lot of instruments of environmental protection, which are connected with law in some way. This thesis is concentrated on the most important a most widely used.

The first chapter presents an brief introduction to the issue, it deals with general environmental protection, categorisation of instruments and with environmental protection on international and European level.

The second chapter deals with conceptual instruments, which includes different policies, plans, programs, projects and other documents that constitute the conditions for the functioning of other categories of instruments. In this chapter is purpose, categorisation and way of creation of conceptual instruments described. It includes examples of conceptual instruments in Czech law as well.

The third chapter covers administrative instruments. It is the oldest and most widely used category of instruments of environmental protection. They are mainly represented by general legal rules and individual administrative acts. This category also contains standards, categorisation, inspection and eco-legal liability.

The fourth chapter is focused on economic instruments. The aim of it is to motivate subject to behave ecologically. The motivation is economically-based, it means that behavior which is not ecological, is economically disadvantaged. In this chapter are economic instruments divided in five categories: fees, taxes, financial support, deposit systems and insurance-based instruments.

The last chapter deals with voluntary instruments. It is a wide and varied category of instruments. Voluntary instruments are divided according to its independance on external cooperation into the two categories. First one does not demand extarnal cooperation and include one-partial environmental agreements, life-cycle assessment, cleaner production, ecodesign, self-declared environmental claims, environmental management accounting, environmental benchmarking. The second

category includes eco-management and audit scheme, environmental management system, ecolabeling, type III environmental declarations, and voluntary environmental agreements.

In the second, third and fourth chapter I pay special attention to air protection. I decided to do it because of the new Act of air protection. It is also close topic to me, because I was born and I am living in city of Most area, where the air protection is often discussed question.