

Abstract

The thesis „Spanish sport in era of francoism and its political exploitation“ deals with the use of sport in different policy sectors of Franco’s regime. It examines how much sport reflected official state policy. The first part focuses on internal sport organization, which shows the domination over the entire sport sector. The second part of the thesis deals with the reflection of francoist internal policy in sports. Thus it analyses physical education as a tool for political indoctrination and top-level sport as a device to maintain social political passivity. Further, it analyses the centralist policy of the regime represented by the support of selected sport clubs and orientation of sport events to the capital city – Madrid. The third and final part defines use of sport in foreign policy. The thesis as a whole concludes that the projection of regime policy in sport is completely natural and that the regime didn’t depart of its overall policy while using sport.