

Abstract

This diploma thesis deals with German security and foreign policy in the period from its reunification in 1990 until now and focuses on deployment of German soldiers abroad.

The aim of this thesis is to analyse eleven most important cases, in which Germany decided to support military missions abroad and to find out if in the decision making process were prevailing normatively guided factors corresponding with concepts of multilateralism, civilian power and antimilitarism or pragmatic guided factors regarding rather economical, geopolitical or other interests. The chosen cases are analysed using single-case studies and sorted into three subchapters following the terms of office of German chancellors. The results of these analyses are presented in the form of a table.