

Abstract:

The bachelor thesis *Identity of Carpathian Germans in the Era of Interwar Czechoslovakia* addresses the identification issue of Carpathian Germans in Slovakia. Furthermore on the background of broader social, cultural and economical context, it attempts to express to what extent German population identified itself with the construct of the Carpathian-German identity, respectively with other identities, e.g. local identities. Apart from that, it focuses on the genesis of this term as such, as well as on alterations of its content. The thesis deals with inter alia the relations among other minorities and loyalty to the interwar Czechoslovakian state. Moreover, it examines, whether the collective identity of entire German population living in Slovakia was created or not. In connection to that, it outlines a question, which role the Germans coming from the Czech lands and other features played in the process of forming the Carpathian-German identity.

Key words:

identity, alterity, nationalism, loyalty, minority policy, the Carpathian German Party (KdP), the Zipser German Party (ZdP), memory, local patriotism