

Abstract

This thesis analyses economic nationalism from a historical perspective and it examines its forms and transformation based on the case study of France. The first chapter offers a brief introduction to the concept of economic nationalism. It places it into a larger context and it addresses its elements, forms and particularities. The following section attempts at a closer look at the doctrines of economic nationalism, emphasising differences in policy content in correlation with historical and political context. The third chapter closely examines the evolution of the French economic thinking within the process of nation-state building and economic modernisation. It attempts at tracing elements of economic nationalism and observing their transformation within changing historical circumstances. Finally, the last chapter focuses on the occurrence of economic nationalism within the French economic model in the twentieth century and under conditions of accelerated markets liberalisation and economic integration.