

This diploma thesis „The Military and Hospitaller Order of Saint Lazarus of Jerusalem - History and Nowadays“ deals with the origins, historical evolution and activities of this order. This international Christian ecumenical order of knights operates with his activities in charitable, humanitarian, medical and educational field. The introduction of the thesis deals with cultural, social and political situation, which was the reason of formation of the order and also briefly shows the internal organization and structure of the order. The next chapter maps the contemporary history of the order and current situation abroad and in the Czech Republic, which is tainted by the dispute about grand master. In the end the thesis deals with activities of the order in the field of social activities.