

Abstract

The aim of this bachelor thesis is to analyze the historical personality of A. N. Yakovlev, a former Soviet functionary and ideologist, through his own ideas and reflections, and to deepen the general knowledge about him by using resources that have not yet been translated to the Czech language. The first chapter briefly presents Yakovlev's life. Furthermore, the thesis highlights the historical events that Yakovlev considered interconnected with the reforms introduced in the second half of the 1980's. This refers particularly to certain policy changes implemented by Lenin and, consequently, to 20th Congress of the Communist Party, revealing personality cult of Stalin. The main emphasis is subsequently placed specifically on this time period associated with the reform of perestroika as Yakovlev is regarded as one of its key authors and proponents.