

**Abstract:**

The aim of this thesis is to introduce the theme of the Canary re-emigration from Venezuela from the 1940 till 2000. The investigation is based on interviews with returned emigrantes of Gomeran origin.

The introduction outlines the sources and secondary literature, from which the author draws the goal of the work. It also describes the methodology used during the research at la Gomera and introduces the informants.

The third chapter is devoted to the history of the Canary Island itself and the evolution of the migratory process between them and Latin America, Venezuela especially.

The fourth chapter describes the specific case of the island of la Gomera, the secret emigration in 1940' and reasons that later let to the mass emigration in the second half of the 20<sup>th</sup> century.

The fifth chapter describes the emigrant's situation before they left la Gomera featuring the politics, economy as the most decisive factors of emigration.

The sixth chapter analisis the emigration process, aculturation and emigrant's life in Venezuela. It's devided into particular sub-chapters targeting not only on differencies between the Canarios and Venezolans but also on differencies between the male and female migration.

The seventh chapter is devoted to the re-emigration process. It introduces the Venezuelan crisis and the mass re-emigraton as its consequence. Special attention is paid to the inter-island migration between Tenerife and la Gomera and re-settlement.

The conclusion summarizes the achieved knowledge about the issue.