Resume

The title of this rigorous thesis is Terrorism and its Criminal Aspects. The thesis is divided into four chapters, whereupon each chapter is telling about the phenomenon of terrorism in a different way. The first chapter focuses on the basis of terrorism and theoretical definitions of terrorism. It also contains historical views on universal theoretically doctrinal definitions of terrorism. It follows the components of the definitions of terrorism and its causes and consequences. This part also contains the classification of terrorism called typology. The second chapter will discuss the codification of terrorism in the field of criminal law in Czech Republic and Slovak Republic. There is an analysis of valid and efficient Czech and Slovak criminal codex, which contains a crime „teroristický útok“ and „terorizmus“. It also presents other criminal activities like cybercrime, economic crime, and violent crime. Especially cybercrime, also known as cyber criminality, entails a novum in criminal jurisprudence. Next part of this chapter is focused on selected instruments of criminal law to fight against terrorism like European arrest warrant, terrorist custody, European evidence order and others.

Of course, it was unimaginable, hence impossible, to forget a sphere of international law and its relation to terrorism. The third chapter includes a policy of counterterrorism in the European Union in the fight against terrorism. Counterterrorism in the European Union is represented by all activities of the EU authorities and institutions resulting in legislative and political acts. The European law or „Law of EU“ is being constituted by primary and secondary legal acts, therefore it’s a cornerstone of counterterrorism in the European area. This chapter also encompasses and names terrorism as a European crime (eurocrime). For the best understanding of terrorism it’s necessary to imply that terrorism violates national law of states just like international law. Terrorism can be described as a disturbance of worldwide (global) peace and serenity. The European Union doesn’t have a status of federation like the United States of America, therefore it must be discussed cooperatively and have coordinated activities of the European Union authorities against member states of the EU. Finally, the last chapter deals with the relation among terrorism, human rights, and democratic values. This chapter is unique because it was constructed on sensitive topics, such as torture and similar practices in counterterrorism methods. The next subchapter is original as well because of joint terrorism and war law.