

## **Abstract**

This bachelor thesis deals with neutrality of humanitarian organisations in armed conflicts. The aim of the thesis is to show on a case study of Czech humanitarian organisation People in need in Eastern Ukraine what are the limits and what are the opportunities of the humanitarian principle of neutrality. Chapters about theory of humanitarian aid and humanitarian situation in Eastern Ukraine create a base for the following case of People in need. People in need provide humanitarian relief in Eastern Ukraine since August 2014. Thanks to the principle of neutrality the organisation could have worked in both, the area under control of Ukrainian government and the area administrated by separatist's quasi-states in Eastern Ukraine. Time frame of the thesis is from summer 2014 to the end of 2016 when „Donetsk poeple's republic“ has not extended PiN's registration.

The case study shows that the main limit of the principle is trying to be seen as neutral. However thanks to fulfilling the principle of neutrality, the organisation can get to people who need the humanitarian aid the most.