

## **Abstract**

The topic of hybrid threats has established itself in Czech political discourse since the beginning of Crimean crisis and it has gradually transformed the notion of Czech security policy between 2014 and 2016. The goal of this thesis is to describe the process of construction of the Czech political hybrid threat discourse. The thesis will use constructivist framework and political discourse analysis to demonstrate, that the actors of international relations in mutual interaction consider their values, ideas and identities endangered, which leads to defensive discursive actions. The thesis will present Russian perception of the international order after the end of the Cold War and the way Russian state reacts to the perception of threat to its superpower status. Then it will focus on the Ukrainian crisis, which will be presented as a consequence of Russian political discourse on international policy. Later the empiric part focusing on hybrid war and presentation of Russian discourse of hybrid war will follow and I will demonstrate, that the central narrative of the Russian discourse of hybrid war is the very opposite of the Western discourse of hybrid war. In the end, political discourse analysis of the Czech hybrid threat discourse will be performed. In the analysis I will focus on key actors of the political discourse and the discursive actions the actors took to shape the discourse of hybrid threats. This work will describe central narrative of the discourse, identify the key acts and sort the actors based on their belonging to the identified lines of the discourse.