Abstrakt v anglickém jazyce:

The dissertation thesis deals with the issue of stability and the change of the Czech party system through the prism of the theory of party system institutionalization formulated by political scientist Scott Mainwaring and his followers. In the context of the development of the Czech party system between 2002 and 2017, when multiple changes to the systemic format and mechanism occurred, it seeks to identify the degree of systemic deinstitutionalization and, above all, to reveal its causes. The changes in format associated with the increase in out-of-system volatility and the emergence of new actors in the 2010, 2013 and 2017 elections are the result of processes identified at the individual level of political parties as units of the system. Therefore, the theories of institutionalization of political parties formulated by Angela Panebianco and Vicky Randall and Lars Svasand are used to examine the degree of intra-party institutionalization. The prism of these theories identifies the causes of the internal deinstitutionalization of political parties, given the small number of their membership bases, the excessive dependence on state and private funding sources of the party, as well as the internal disunity and party secession.

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