

The relationships between subjects and authorities are well observable in times of their mutual conflict. That was when controversial and conflicting topics had to be defined; moreover, an open dispute left a more evident trace in the written sources. An extensive body of literature already exists on disputes between subjects and authorities in rural contexts. Considerable focus has been on the serf rebellions in the 17th and 18th centuries. To the contrary, little research has been done into the topic of the relationships between tributary towns and their authorities in the Post-Bílá Hora period. The fundamental obstruction has been the individual conditions in the respective towns, the more complex social structures of towns compared to the countryside, and last but not least, the amount of sources that remain yet to be worked on.