

## Resumé

The name of my thesis is „Economic Instruments of Environmental Protection“. The thesis is dividend into four basic parts. Each part of these is concerned with the particular theme relative to the environmental protection.

The reason I have chosen this theme is that I am interested in environmental protection. It is more than actual and interesting theme. Protection of environment is our duty. It is business each of us, because each of use the nature sources. It is necessary to take control under our future.

Economic instruments, like taxes, fees, tradable permits, environmental insurance etc. are environmentally effective and economically efficient policy instruments. After legal instruments, the economic instruments are the second most extensive category of instruments with an increasing influence. The aim of economic instruments is to compel the polluters to decrease the negative influence of their activities on the environment by economic stimulation.

The first chapter presents an introduction to the issue. It is especially about history, czech legislative, definition, functions and types of economic instruments. It contains also a mention about the main differences between normative and economic instruments.

The second part describes each instrument separately with practice examples. The most place and time I dedicated to payments and to emissions trade allowances. Environmental charges and taxes are mostly used and at the same time they are also the oldest instruments in the Czech Republic. These direct payments from polluters and therefore represent a clear application of the Polluter Pays Principle (PPP). Big potential is in the system of emissions trading, it is also very effective instrument of environmental policy.

A position of State Environmental Fund is theme of the third part. Incomes of this Fund are mostly from payments of polluters. On the other side Fund is one of the donators in the way of subventions.

The last part of the work is focused on the positives and negatives of economic instruments of environmental protection.