

Resumé v anglickom jazyku

The purpose of this thesis is to introduce a topic of the coordination of the social security system existing in the European Union. The reason for my research was the effort to explain if and how the basic rights for the migrating workers are followed within the European Union where each member state has its own national social security system based on the specific historical, political, demographical and sociological character of a country.

The thesis is composed of five chapters, each of them dealing with different aspects of the topic. Chapter One is introductory and it is introducing the whole topic.

Chapter Two in the first subpart defines basic terminology of the social security and in the second one it explains which factors are influencing social security the most.

Chapter Three concentrates on the issue of the European Union and the legislation of European Union applied on the scope of the social security. This chapter is divided into two subchapters. The first subchapter describes the European Union, its development and how the system has changed when the Lisbon Treaty came into force. The second subchapter concentrates on the European law and it is divided into seven subparts. First five subparts are focused on the primary and secondary European law including the judicial law and how are these percepts of law applied on the social security area. The last two subparts are dealing with the basic principles of the social security co-ordination and with the issue how the co-ordinating regulations are applied on the social security system.

Chapter Four clarifies how the old Czech communistic social security system had to change into a state with a modern social security system according to the western European states model to apply co-ordinating regulations and if the transformation was successful.

Chapter five examines the practical application of the co-ordinating regulations on three selected areas of the social security system. Therefore this chapter is divided into 3 subchapters, where first subchapter is focusing on the old-age pension – how the system works in the Czech Republic and how the co-ordination rules can be used in the case of need. Second subchapter follows the system of Czech sickness insurance and health insurance and how the regulations allow migrating workers and their family members to call for the sickness and health benefits. The last subchapter focuses on the family benefits. The first subpart deals with the system of providing the family benefits in the Czech Republic and in the second subpart there is described how the family benefits are provided to the families of the migrating workers.

In the conclusion there is a short summarization of the whole thesis. Withal I maintain the idea that co-ordination of the social security system throughout European Union is on a high level and is still improving and thanks to the new regulations that finally came to force in 2010 there is a big step forward in the improvement of abidance of basic social security rights that should belong to all the European Union citizens without exception.