## Development of Public Policy Study in Europe : Czech Study of Public Policy in European Context (Comparing the Cases of France, Germany and the Czech Republic)

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## **English abstract**

This PhD. thesis deals with an issue of study of public policy which is considered to be a specific subdiscipline of political sciences. The study of public policy encompasses all approaches that are engaged in research of public policy. In the issue of public policy study is attention focused, in explorative way, on development of public policy study. This aim is pursued from moderate constructivist positions at two levels.

At the first, theoretical, level, it is interested in question how to study the development of public policy study. It attempts to formulate general analytical frame which could be used as a comparative grid as well. Its main reference framework is represented by Peter deLeon's model of advice and consent (supply and demand model) (deLeon, 1988) and model devised for an analysis of Canadian political science development by John Trent and Michael Stein (Trent, 1987; Trent, Stein, 2002; Stein, 1998). The analytical frame is designed under assumption of interaction between the subdiscipline and its national and international environment. In the concrete case it deals with mutual interaction between political system, resp. political regime, and society (social, economic, and cultural factors) of particular country and international environment of social sciences, on the one hand, and the subdiscipline with its context, infrastructure support, and developmental phases, on the other hand. At the second, practical, level it tries to understand the development of the Czech public policy study in European context with references to French and German studies of public policy.

On the base of the findings, it could be said that the Czech study of public policy is not lagging to much behind the French and German ones today, but its more substantial progress seems to be hampered by relative success of particular approaches and the lack of general Czech community of the public policy.

**Key words**: study of public policy; development; public policy; the Czech Republic; France; Germany; history; political science; public policy analysis.