Abstract

Comparison of constitutional judiciary in the first Czechoslovak Republic and current constitutional judiciary

The aim of the thesis is a comparative analysis of the constitutional judiciary in the first Czechoslovak Republic and the today's Czech Republic. Each chapter is structured to describe the institution of the Constitutional Court which has been representing the most important protection of constitutional values. The research design of the thesis is explained in the chapter "Methodology". It serves for better orientation and understanding of the diploma thesis. The paper is divided in eight chapters. Introduction describes the basic concepts of the Constitutional Court and the author's hypothesis about the results of the analysis which outline large differences between the two Republics. Following chapters compares the two Constitutional Courts in terms of organizational structure (internal structure, budget, seat), the appointment mechanisms of the judiciary (conditions, process). It also offers the list of powers of the Constitutional Court and it describes the constitutional practices of constitutional judges within each historical period. The work also includes a brief historical summary that discusses the genesis of the idea of constitutional justice and the sources that inspired Czech and Czechoslovak authors during the formation of the relevant legislation. Each chapter concludes with a brief summary that serves as a comprehensive overview of the various alterations in both Republics. The conclusion of the thesis presents a summary of the most significant results of the research and evaluates the comparative analysis at large.