Abstract

The main objective of the thesis is to analyze energy relations between the Czech Republic and Russian Federation. Author will use neo-liberal theory of mutual interdependence and the research will be conducted in the spirit of qualitative research of explanatory epistemology. Analyze will be based on relevant literature related to the topic and subsequent analysis of energy relations between the Czech Republic and Russian Federation since the fall of the Soviet Union till the gas crisis in 2009. Theoretical framework of interdependence with regard to the asymmetry in the Czech-Russian energy relations is used in this thesis to explain the threats that can be caused by some Russian Federation's decisions and that can very seriously damage an energy security of the Czech Republic. Asymmetric interdependence in Czech-Russian energy relations can act as a source of power of the Russian Federation. For full understanding of a theme of this thesis it is necessary to explain the threats and their impacts to the energy security of the Czech Republic and it is also necessary to explain the weaknesses of Russian Federation's energy security. Author emphasizes a working of energy sector and a role of energy actors.