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This bachelor thesis deals with the mission, goals and tasks of the chivalric and hospitaller Order of Malta from its foundation until the conquest of Malta in 1798. It examines the development of the main tasks of the Order and their transformation depending on the current international situation and the location of the seat of the Order. The thesis deals with the form of these tasks in each of the seats of the Order (in the Holy Land, on Rhodes and on Malta), as well as with their transformation in the environment of the Commanderies on the European continent. The main emphasis is laid on the development of the two main branches of the order's mission, tasks of hospitaller nature and the military ones. The primary goal of the thesis is exploration of the overall development of these goals and tasks and the comparison of their development in the seats of the Order and the European Commanderies.