## Abstract

The diploma thesis is focused on fan participation in current state of play in professional football. The paper provides three case-studies of the establishment of fan teams and associations in the background of professional football in the Czech Republic. The objective of thesis is to compare the situation of three fan teams in the Czech Republic and the world. Secondarily, the paper seeks to analyze fan teams as part of civic society and to what extent the teams contribute to the fulfillment of basic functions of civic society.