

Abstract

The Bachelor's thesis deals with a problem of the EU-Ukraine relations between 2004 and 2011 in form of a case-study. More specifically, it focuses on the European Neighbourhood Policy and the project of Eastern Partnership. Analysing the partnership, the thesis tries to answer a research question what the reason for failure of the European goals in Ukraine is. To answer the question the thesis is divided into three parts and each of them describes and analyses the development of the relations between EU and Ukraine. The first chapter elaborates points from history of the partnership which are relevant for the development after 2004. The second part looks into the European Neighbourhood Policy, its origins and character together with the contribution to the relations with Ukraine. The final section aims at the Eastern Partnership initiative and it describes and analyses the policy as well. The second part of the chapter offers a comparison of both policies and it deduces limits of the European foreign policy in Ukraine. Finally, the thesis comes to conclusion that the hypothesis stating that the EU failed to achieve its goals in Ukraine due to the inconsistent approach towards Ukraine was partly right. However, during the process of writing two other limits of the "Eurocentric" European foreign policy and domestic situation in Ukraine emerged and they have to be taken into consideration to fully answer the question.