

## **The course of the general meeting of a joint-stock company**

The aim of this thesis is to describe the procedure of the convening and the course of the general meeting of a joint-stock company according to the new Law No. 90/2012 Coll., on commercial companies and cooperatives. The regulation of the convening and the course of the general meeting is highly important, because the general meeting is the supreme body of joint stock company, which is exclusively authorized to decide on the fundamental corporate issues. Structure of this thesis is divided into 5 chapters.

The first chapter is general, introductory and it describes the definition, the regulation and the organization of the joint stock company.

The second chapter is devoted to the question of the proper convention of the general meeting, which is the basic assumption to the valid course of the general meeting. In the first part of this chapter are defined reasons for convention of the general meeting and bodies of the company entitled to this step. The second part of this chapter is devoted to the methods of publication and the content of the invitation to the general meeting.

The third chapter identifies issues related to participation in the general meeting. It describes forms of the participation in the general meeting and related issues, the quorum and the list of present shareholders.

The fourth chapter illustrates procedural questions connected to the general meeting. It defines prerequisites for the course of the general meeting, such as location, date and time of the meeting, the agenda, election of the organs of the general meeting and recording of the course of the general meeting in the minutes of the meeting. This part also describes basic shareholder rights connected with the participation in the general meeting.

Last chapter is devoted to the decision making process of the general meeting. It describes issues connected with shareholders voting right and the quorum necessary for the adoption of decisions. The whole thesis is concluded with brief characteristics of the general meeting decision and its essentials according to Law No. 90/2012 Coll., on commercial companies and cooperatives.

**Klíčová slova:** akciová společnost, průběh valné hromady, svolání valné hromady

**Key words:** joint stock company, course of the general meeting, convention of the general meeting