

The thesis focuses on internal dimension of human rights protection in the EU. It studies the development of the EC/EU official commitment to human rights in the EC law, role of some EU institutions in its protection and the problems that EU and its member states face in relation to human rights protection in the European region. It analyses changes and opportunities for the future human rights protection system in the period after the Lisbon treaty enters into force. On two case studies, the author shows how the member states of the EU violate some human rights. First study focuses on grave human rights violation committed in name of war against terrorism; second study assays the seriousness of spreading of discrimination based on race and ethnic origin that is on increase in the EU member states. The attention is also paid to the consequences of such violations on the EU and its member states global performance as human rights defenders. On the basic of liberal theory of international justice it shows that on the condition that serious human rights violation happens on the territory of EU member states, they could limits the possibilities of its global performance on the field of human rights protection and democracy promotion that our among the basic principles of EU Common Foreign and Security policy.