

SUMMARY

Development of information technology is one of the most dynamic parts of today's global society. Along with the coming of new technologies it generates new types of crime, eventually existing types of criminal activities in this area are moving from the real world to cyberspace.

This rapid development of cyber crime enforces corresponding changes in the legislation related to cyberspace. In the Czech Republic the most fundamental changes in cyber crime law have been made along with the new Criminal Code. The new code has modified some areas, that were not mentioned by previous criminal code, refined or amended previous terminology related to cyberspace and added institutes required by international commitments, especially by the Convention on Cybercrime.

The purpose of this diploma thesis on "Cyber crime" is to outline the issues of cyber-crime, point out some troubling topics, which are currently present in cyberspace, and outline possible future development of criminal law in cyberspace.

In the beginning of the thesis there is a short summary of cyberspace and cyber crime history, that is followed by definitions of selected basic concepts of cyberspace and cyber crime. In the following chapters, there is a summary of current Czech legislation of selected areas and there some examples of such actions are given. The thesis contains a separate chapter, that introduces this year's novelty in the Czech cyber law - The Act on the Cyber Security, which main goal should be to ensure better protection of critical information infrastructure. From the perspective of international law the thesis mentions selected documents related to cyberspace and cyber crime, including a separate chapter describing the Convention on Cybercrime. Last but not least, the thesis mentions possibilities for the users of how they can defend themselves against cyber attacks. At the very end of the thesis the most important problems of the criminal law related to cyberspace are summarized and given these problems, the thesis attempts to predict possible evolution of the cyber law.