

Abstract

The aim of this diploma thesis is to characterize the most important specifics of the Cyprus' membership in the European union and to describe the influence of these specifics on the relationship of Cyprus and EU or the relationship of Cyprus or EU to other states. The most important specifics are related to the so called „cyprus problem“ because the island has been divided into Greek and Turkish part since 1964. The whole island is represented by the Greek Cypriots only and *acquis communautaire* is exercised only the Greek part.

This work deals first with relations between the Republic of Cyprus, Turkey and the European Union. The next chapter deals with the Cyprus problem, the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus and the role of the European Union in the solving of the Cyprus problem. The last chapter examines the relationship between Cyprus and Russia and the influence of this relationship on the relationship between Cyprus and the EU.