Abstract

The Master thesis' central theme is the phenomenon of Overtourism. It compares its status in three large-size specially protected areas: The Krkonoše Mountains National Park, Bohemian Paradise Protected Landscape Area and Třeboň Basin Protected Landscape Area.

Based on interviews with representatives of the protected areas administrations and with tourists, the thesis aims to describe and analyze **central conflicts of a nature-based active lifestyle and nature protection**, as well as to identify **the impacts of increasing tourism** on the fragile ecosystems of the protected areas. Increased attention is given to the differences between pre-pandemic and pandemic situation.

The empirical research combines several methods: semi-structured interviews with both sides of the conflict, participant observation in the field and the analysis of materials such as relevant legislation and regulations of tourism.

This thesis hopes to contribute to the state of knowledge by its thorough description of the issue in the three analyzed areas; and by creating a typology of tourists coming to the protected areas which could be applied in future tourism management. Based on its conclusions, the thesis also drafts measures for future tourism management of given areas designed to mitigate the conflict situation.