

## **Abstract**

The diploma thesis in the field of environmental ethics "The Economistic Paradigm and Its Impact on the Environment" wants to introduce the pitfalls of economically oriented behaviour of contemporary society and the effects of such behaviour on the environment. In this generally accepted model of the functioning of the world, nature plays the role of an unlimited supply of raw materials and food, and man is motivated and externally stimulated by a desire for wealth and prosperity in his actions. Boundless confidence in scientific and technological progress dominates the development of spirituality and the relationship to the environment. All this often at the expense of the poorest, who are the least involved in pollution and climate change. The work acquaints the reader with selected aspects of the ecological crisis and their impact on man and nature. It will present an interpretation of biblical anthropocentrism and other concepts of the approach to the environment, which puts different subjects at the forefront of their interest. The aim of the work is to evaluate the sustainability of the currently set functioning of the world in relation to the environment and to offer alternatives fair to future generations and leading to a harmonious relationship between man and nature.