

Abstract

This thesis deals with the use of Czech transformation know-how in development projects aimed at the inclusion of people with disabilities in the society in Bosnia and Herzegovina. The thesis examines two specific Czech development projects implemented by People in Need, which took place in 2016–2018 and 2020–2022. The aim of the thesis is to analyse whether and how the Czech Republic uses its comparative advantage in this area of development cooperation and also to test the theoretical premise of the thesis, whether the use of comparative advantage in development assistance can lead to higher aid effectiveness. Methodologically, the thesis combines critical analysis of project documents with semi-structured interviews with Czech experts involved in projects. The research focuses on the content of the know-how transferred, its transferability to the Bosnian context and the overall effectiveness of this approach in the context of Czech foreign development assistance. The results of the research confirmed the hypothesis that the Czech Republic possesses a comparative advantage in the area of inclusion of people with disabilities and that it uses its own transformative experience in its development projects to make the projects more effective. Thus, increased aid effectiveness in relation to the use of comparative advantage was confirmed in this particular research.