

Abstract (in English):

The bachelor thesis deals with the personality of the Grand Duke of Tuscany Peter Leopold, especially his rule and reforms. It analyses Leopold's youth, the political situation in Tuscany before 1765, the question of succession after the demise of the Medici, and the reign of Francis Stephen of Lorraine in Tuscany. It focuses on Leopold's early reign, and the inheritance from his father, which influenced Leopold's relationship with his brother Joseph, which is also addressed. Marginally, it deals with individuals at the Tuscan court, Leopold's advisors, and their work on the reform policy of the state. Last but not least, the descendants of the grand ducal couple, and the personal life of Peter Leopold are discussed.

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