

Abstract

The thesis focuses on the analysis of the election system of the Football Association of the Czech Republic (FAČR) and examines the possibilities of its abuse. The author concentrates on how the election system's configuration influences the composition of the FAČR leadership and how the system can be manipulated to favor certain groups or individuals. A key aspect is the examination of the influence of Roman Berbr, who, through his contacts and strategy, dominated Czech football for many years. The work also analyzes the emergence and activities of the reform group Fevoluce, which aimed to change power positions and cleanse Czech football.

The thesis draws from the theoretical foundations of electoral system engineering and applies them to the specific context of FAČR. The author thoroughly examines how different types of electoral systems can affect election outcomes and how these systems can be used or abused. The work includes interviews with key actors and an analysis of available literature and media sources.

The main finding of the thesis is that while the configuration of the electoral system is important, the active involvement and strategic behavior of football officials at various levels play a crucial role. The work reveals that control over amateur football and the ability to influence the composition of delegates eligible to vote at the FAČR General Assembly is essential for gaining influence in the executive committee.

Based on the analysis, the author offers recommendations for improving the efficiency and transparency of the FAČR electoral system and opens a discussion on potential reforms. The thesis contributes to a deeper understanding of electoral processes in the context of sports organizations and provides valuable insights for future research and practical changes.