

Abstract

The thesis aims to provide a basic characterization of the study of disasters and other related topics, such as resilience, adaptation, vulnerability, risk, and transformation. It also seeks to present the history of research in these topics. These general models are subsequently applied in the thesis to specific disasters in the late Middle Ages and early modern period. The objective is to map and assess the coping mechanisms employed to overcome disasters as a part of building societal resilience. The thesis also includes an overview of archaeological evidence of disasters within peasant environments in the Czech lands.