

Abstract

Following study is dedicated to level of development of participation in rural area of Broumov region and cooperation between representatives of civil society and local authorities (local politicians and officials). The key part is the analysis of participation in selected area of Nachod district (Hradec Kralové region). Data for the analysis were obtained partly through studying of the materials, the available statistical data and scientific literature, partly through analysis of semi-structured interviews with representatives of town halls, local government institutions and non-profit organizations who are the key actors of participation at the local level. The basic intention to describe the situation in city Broumov was extended to the entire Broumov region because the city Broumov is an integral part of this area. It will also better grasp the issue of participation in the entire area. The aim of the analysis is to determine the factors that affect this cooperation, the strengths and weaknesses that help or inhibit or even threaten the continued development of the nonprofit sector and cooperation with representatives of government and public administration in the area and find out how the cooperation in the region looks from point of view of local key actors. Great emphasis is placed on the resolution of political participation and civic engagement and the factors that influence these theoretical concepts.

Key words

Participation, political participation, civic engagement, countryside, Broumov region.