

ABSTRACT

In my Doctoral thesis I analysed the administrative and legal issues concerning the area of the protected landscape as a special area of ecological character. The primary objective of the study was to analyse and evaluate the concept and legal construction of the area of protected landscape whether it correctly accomplishes the requirements imposed by the legislator. It is a type of special area of ecological character, which should be created because of its characteristic landscape with different types of ecosystems, valuable in terms of recreation and tourism or fulfilling the function of ecological corridors. In this work I have mainly applied the legal-dogmatic method using the conceptual apparatus and methodology of administrative law. To a limited extent, the historical method has also been applied.

In the first chapter, I analysed key legal concepts related to the protected landscape area. These include landscape, cultural landscape, priority landscape, landscape audit, environment and environmental protection, nature and nature conservation, biodiversity, natural balance and a special area of ecological character.

In the second chapter, I presented the genesis of legal landscape protection, which is now carried out by the protected landscape area from the inter-war period until 1939, and then from 1945 to 1990 and finally the period from 1990 to 2004. In the third chapter, I analysed and assessed the material and legal requirements for the landscape protection, as well as the special legal regime of prohibitions applicable in the area of the protected landscape. In addition, I made an analysis of the administrative and legal relations existing in the area of the protected landscape.

In the fourth chapter I analysed and assessed the substantive scope of protection of plants, animals and fungi, as well as their species protection in the area of the protected landscape.

In the fifth chapter, I analysed and assessed the requirements concerning protection of water and air against pollution and with regard to noise emission into the environment, taking into account the purpose of establishing a given protected landscape area.

In the final, sixth chapter, the subject of consideration was the relationship between individual interest and public interest determining the establishment of the protected landscape area, taking into account the constitutional principle of sustainable development and natural balance. At the end of the paper, I formulated final conclusions.

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natural environment, nature protection, environment, environmental protection, protected landscape area, special area of ecological character, regional assembly, local law act.

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