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V čem se oproti původnímu zadání změnil cíl práce? The goal did not change. The main aim is still to find an answer to the question whether, and to what level, the ESA hinders the shift of powers in the area of space towards a supranational regime under the EU heading, framework and procedures.
Jaké změny nastaly v časovém, teritoriálním a věcném vymezení tématu? There were only small changes made. The thesis will be concerned with the actual setup of the treaties between EU, ESA and the Member States (MS). Past treaties will serve only to explain a given position or point. There will not be a special emphasis on the evolution of the relations.
Jak se proměnila struktura práce (vyjádřete stručným obsahem)? The structure changed in few points. The thesis should be structured as follows: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1) Introduction to the topic and presentation of the research problem2) Literature review3) Methodology4) Analysis of the procedures and institutional structure of the ESA and the EU concerning the space matters5) Analysis of the recent development and current state of the inter-institutional framework from the perspective of the EU and the ESA6) Presentation and analysis of the positions of the Member States of the ESA7) Economic analysis of the return of investment6) Discussion and conclusion
Jakým vývojem prošla metodologická koncepce práce? The methodology evolved since the submission of the project of the thesis quite a lot. A new theoretical framework is used, based on the book of Koremenos et al., that perceives the international institutions as a rationally designed bodies. The MS are believed to create the institutions in such a shape that these will best serve the purpose they were created for and if they fail to do so, or if there are other institutions that are more suitable to deal with the given matter, these other institutions will be preferred instead. The positions of the MS regarding the agency dimension will be examined along the options proposed by the European Commission in the "Progress report on establishing appropriate relations between the European Union and the European Space Agency (ESA)" from February 2014. Furthermore, the answers on the research questions will be supported by an explanatory part that will concentrate on the way the Member States explain their positions.

It will be examined along 3 lines - ideology (deepening of the integration as a norm), gain (financial efficiency), institution (solving problems according to the rational design theory). As the published strategies may not be sufficient to describe the position of the MS, the civil servants or other appropriate people responsible for the space policy of the MS will be asked to answer these questions with full regard to the given position of the MS.

The theoretical framework enables to specify two hypotheses concerning the positions of the Member States of the ESA to the ESA-EU relationship, as 1) large, economically and industrially strong countries should be more likely to abolish the georeturn and make from the ESA an EU agency (in case of its falsification the theory will be supported as it could show that the Member States choose the ESA for its successful framework) and 2) small, economically and industrially weaker countries should prefer ESA as independent and retaining of the georeturn. The positions of the MS regarding the agency dimension will be examined along the options proposed by the European Commission in the "Progress report on establishing appropriate relations between the European Union and the European Space Agency (ESA)" from February 2014. Furthermore, the answers on the research questions will be supported by an explanatory part that will concentrate on the way the Member States explain their positions. It will be examined along 3 lines - ideology (deepening of the integration as a norm), gain (economic efficiency), institution (solving problems within the best suited institution)

Které nové prameny a sekundární literatura byly zpracovány a jak tato skutečnost ovlivnila celek práce?

All primary sources covering the documents describing the position of the European Commission of the EU, of the ESA and of the Member States were analysed and the data collected enabled me to answer the research questions.

Charakterizujte základní proměny práce v době od zadání projektu do odevzdání tezí a pokuste se vyhodnotit, jaký pokrok na práci jste během semestru zaznamenali (v bodech):

- adoption of the methodological and theoretical framework**
- refining of the research design**
- collection of data and their analysis**
- finalising of the research**

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