Nationality in international investment arbitration

Abstract

The subject of this rigorous thesis is the nationality in international investment arbitration. The objective of this thesis is to provide the insight into the issue of nationality in international investment disputes to the professional community and to introduce significant investment disputes regarding this topic.

The paper is divided into six main parts. First chapter describes the international investment arbitration (dispute) in general. Second chapter is devoted to the definition of investor and to various principles that can be used to assess the nationality of investors. Third chapter looks at the nationality of investors from the perspective of Washington Treaty, whereas fourth chapter looks at the nationality from the perspective of Energy Charter Treaty. Fifth chapter introduces some significant bilateral investment treaties signed by Czech Republic and their approaches for defining the nationality of investors. Finally six chapter looks at some particular issues through case studies of arbitration tribunals' decisions.