

## Relations between Czechs and the Nations and Countries of Southeastern Europe (in Czech)

Ladislav Hladký et al.: *Vztahy Čechů s národy a zeměmi jihovýchodní Evropy*, Praha: Historický ústav 2010, 368 pgs. ISBN 978-80-7286-171-2

This collective monograph includes fifteen chapters which summarize the history of relations between the Czech lands and particular nations and countries of Southeastern Europe since medieval times until present. The book demonstrates that Czech cultural, economic and political relations with Southeastern Europe have been very complex and frequent, whether we focus on the significant Czech participation in the political, economic and cultural modernization of Southeastern Europe throughout the 19<sup>th</sup> and at the beginning of the 20<sup>th</sup> century, cultural transfers from the Czech milieu or intensive attention devoted to the region by Czech scholars, scientists, writers and artists in the last two centuries. It is therefore no exaggeration to claim that Southeastern Europe represents in many ways an integral part of the “Czech historical space“. The present monograph is the first major scholarly attempt to reflect the Czech relations with the entire region. Apart from relations with the Slavic lands which have traditionally received most attention in Czech historiography (Slovenia, Croatia, Bosnia and Hercegovina, Serbia, Montenegro, Macedonia, Bulgaria), the book also analyzes relations with the non-Slavic countries (Romania, Moldavia, Albania, Kosovo, Greece, Cyprus, Turkey). One chapter outlines the specific history of Czechoslovak-Yugoslav relations since 1918 until the break-up of both states in the 1990s. All chapters attempt to summarize and further enrich the existing literature concerning the historical development of mutual relations, main issues and personalities. They also provide – usually for the first time – overviews of these relations in the last two decades (1989-2010). Beside political and economic relations, the authors paid special attention to the previously often neglected cultural contacts and exchanges, including literature, music, arts, architecture, theater, film, science and education. Bibliography and footnotes point to numerous additional sources on different aspects of Czech relations with Southeastern Europe.

### Table of Contents

Foreword	7
Introduction	11
Maps	18
Czech-Slovene Relations ( <i>Ladislav Hladký – David Blažek</i> )	21
Czech-Croatian Relations ( <i>Petr Stehlík</i> )	47
Czech-Bosnian Relations ( <i>Ladislav Hladký – Adin Ljuca – Jiří Kuděla</i> )	73
Czech-Serbian Relations ( <i>Tomáš Chrobák – Jana Hrabcová</i> )	97
Czech-Montenegrin Relations ( <i>František Šístek</i> )	125
Czech-Macedonian Relations ( <i>Petr Stehlík – Ladislav Hladký</i> )	147
Czech-Yugoslav Relations ( <i>Tomáš Chrobák – Miroslav Tejchman - Jana Hrabcová</i> )	167
Czech-Kosovar Relations ( <i>Kamil Píkal</i> )	189
Czech-Romanian Relations ( <i>Filip Šisler – Miroslav Tejchman</i> )	197
Czech-Moldovan Relations ( <i>Filip Šisler</i> )	221
Czech-Bulgarian Relations ( <i>Jan Rychlík – Vladimír Penčev – Miroslav Kouba</i> )	225
Czech-Albanian Relations ( <i>Pavel Hradečný – Ladislav Hladký – Kamil Píkal</i> )	253
Czech-Greek Relations ( <i>Pavel Hradečný – Konstantinos Tsivos</i> )	263
Czech-Cypriot Relations ( <i>Pavel Hradečný – Konstantinos Tsivos</i> )	275
Czech-Turkish Relations ( <i>Petr Kučera</i> )	281
Illustrations	295
List of Abbreviations	305
Bibliography	307
Register of Personal Names	319
Summary (in English)	341
List of Authors	367