## Cadastral Offices and the Reform of the Czech Cadastre

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## ABSTRACT

The reform of the surveying and cadastre branch started at the same time as the Czech Republic took its first steps towards a market economy in the early 1990s. Organisational structures of the branch were transformed and partly privatised by 1993. The new legal Czech Cadastre arose in 1993. It was designed to satisfy new demands for technical and legal information on subjects and objects of the Cadastre and includes the registration of titles based on an adjudication process.

The executive bodies for the state administration of the Czech Cadastre are 77 Cadastral Offices. These have become separate legal subjects directly subordinated to the central body - the Czech Office for Surveying, Mapping and Cadastre in Prague.

The paper will first briefly deal with the present state and administration of the Czech Cadastre in comparison to the situation before the Velvet Revolution in 1989. Then it will look in more detail at the Statute of Cadastral Offices, their organizational stucture, basic tasks and the principles behind work in Cadastral Offices. Next follows a short description of the forms of land registration, maintenance, updating and providing data of the Cadastral information system and Internet access to cadastral data for the general public since 2001 and completing digitalisation (computerisation) of the Cadastre by the second half of this decade. In the closing part some statistical data on the work of Cadastral Offices and on development trends will be given.

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