

## SUMMARY

**Subject of the thesis:** The role of non-governmental organizations in modern world politics (the case of the U.S. NGOs)

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**Relevance of the research issue:** In the last decade, the process of enforced “democratization” has turned into a trend of modern world politics. It’s been boosted by a dynamic development of information technologies and social media.

Increasingly, the existence of NGOs is proving to be a necessity rather than a luxury in societies throughout the modern world. One of the key events in modern political history is output to the world stage of non-governmental organizations. Thus, if the activities of transnational corporations have increasingly been and remain focused on the economic dimension of international relations, international non-governmental organizations extend the scope of their interests and activities extremely widely. Thus, any international organizations act in the field of humanitarian law and human rights, ecology, economy, science, journalism, sports, politics, religion, etc.

**The purpose** of the work is the study of the role and ways of functioning of American non-governmental organizations as an instrument of the state’s external policy.

**Research objectives:**

— study the key approaches to the definition of international non-governmental organizations concept in modern political science and summarize the accumulated theoretical knowledge on the subject;

— determine the institutional characteristics of the networking cooperation in the frame of international non-governmental organizations;

— analyze the activity and the role of American non-governmental organizations in the context of the world political developments globalization.

**Scientific novelty** of the study consists both in the character of the investigated problem and in insufficient development of creation and activity of non-governmental organizations problems. The predictors of this NGOs institution appearance have been identified, and the approaches to the definition of “non-governmental organization” have been studied.

**Structure:** the two chapters, containing four paragraphs, the conclusion and a 90-reference bibliography (twenty three of which are in foreign languages). The total volume is 87 pages.

**Summary:** According to most lawyers, international non-governmental organizations are not subjects of international law, but must carry out their activities, matching their principles and norms. Within states, the legal status of non-governmental organizations must be determined by national legislation. They and the international NGOs staff are given credit for certain privileges and immunities.

Rapidly changing realities of the modern world political developments began to withdraw non-governmental organizations to the “vanguard” of the international cooperation, which less and less reminded of the Westphalian world order classical model, with its equally sovereign nation-states and pervasive rationalism of life.

Under the above mentioned conditions of the global political process understanding the role and ways of non-governmental organizations activity is especially important. Their role should be estimated primarily in the context of the changed patterns of states interaction under the conditions of globalization. Thus these organizations should be regarded to a greater or lesser degree as the instrument of this or that state policy-diplomacy, despite their declared independence.