

SUMMARY

The aim of the doctoral dissertation titled **Strategic management of the development of the Greater Poland Voivodeship in conditions of convergence** is to present the theoretical context for complex strategic management processes at the regional level of public administration in Poland. The achievements of the doctrine of regional policy and the theory of regional development were also presented, while the key aspect was to include decentralization and multi-level management in the context of strategic management, taking into account current management concepts and methods, also using structural funds of the European Union. The relationship between regional development policy and strategic management is described. The doctoral dissertation was an attempt to diagnose and evaluate the management process both in terms of individual components of territorial capital, the current achievements of strategic thinking in the Greater Poland Voivodeship and management processes in a territorial perspective using available and regionally managed EU funds.

The main motive for writing this dissertation was the insufficient approach to the problem of integrated strategic management from a regional perspective, the integration of activities at the subregional and agglomeration level, as well as the lack of a comprehensive study that would guide the improvement of the integration of activities of individual local government units.

As part of his doctoral thesis, the author made an in-depth analysis of the effects of financial intervention in terms of the territorial dimension. The effectiveness of the support mechanism was also analyzed in the context of the integrated projects obtained and implemented as model effects of the functioning of the mechanisms of territorial instruments of the European Union's cohesion policy. Particular attention was paid to the essence of management in the structure of public administration and the organization of the management system, taking into account the management model scheme and monitoring of this process. In particular, various levels of monitoring and relationships between strategic and program documents at the voivodeship level were analyzed. The concept of innovative solutions and recommendations was adopted as a utilitarian goal, both in terms of strategic management and the functioning of the territorial dimension of EU cohesion policy. It also seems crucial to take into account the participation of representatives of civil society stakeholders and socio-economic partners.

All considerations of the work are included in six chapters, preceded by an introduction and summarized in the conclusion. The first four chapters are theoretical in

nature, with the third chapter being a methodological chapter. The volume ends with a bibliography, a list of illustrations, tables and charts, and a list of appendices. In particular, the fifth chapter concerns the analysis of convergence processes from a regional and subregional perspective (subregions) in both the national (Poland) and the Community (EU) context. An attempt was also made to summarize the intervention of EU funds at the level of the Greater Poland Voivodeship, also from an intra-regional perspective. In the sixth chapter, a strategic management model for the region was formulated, including in the context of the existing functional development model, as a development of the aspects of multi-level management indicated in EU documents.

At the end of the dissertation, the author summarized the analyzed content and indicated areas where changes should be made to improve the effectiveness of the strategic management process.

The doctoral dissertation exhausts the presented research subject and research assumptions. They were supported by an analysis of the literature on the subject, extensive empirical material, using methods, techniques and research tools. The dissertation is a comprehensive collection of exhaustive content regarding the strategic management of the region in terms of the territorial dimension of European Union policies.