

THE PEASANTRY IN BOHEMIA DURING
THE LATE MIDDLE AGES
PERSPECTIVES AND NEW ORIENTATIONS

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While the peasantry has been a favorite theme medievalists since the 1960s, Czech research has exhibited a lack in this area. In his article, Čechura attempts to explain this phenomenon analytically. He thinks that the apparent finality and consistency of definition of the Czechoslovak interpretations, especially in the synthetic works since the 1950s, together with some irrefutable arguments, deter the younger generation of researchers from working in this area. The author also critiques František Graus's popular model of peasant development and presents new research perspectives for discussion.