

Summary

The private equity market in the European Union countries shows a significant growth in the last years. It is shown by a value of invested capital and forming new segments of this market. The special importance of the private equity market means to support processes of innovations and restructure enterprises. In Poland, there are unfavourable conditions for wider development of private equity investments. The market is dominated by foreign funds. There is a weak activization of the national capital to provide funds for innovational projects.

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