

## Master's Thesis Oponent's Expert Opinion

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 Title of Master's Thesis: Application of Sustainability Concept in Selected Countries  
 Aim of the Thesis: to identify sustainability concepts that can suit the territorial changes and facilitate physical planning in order to ensure spatial development in selected countries.  
 Thesis Supervisor: prof. Ing. Jaroslav Macháček, CSc.  
 Study Programme: RDG  
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### Difficulty of the Topic

	Excellent	Very good	Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory	Cannot be evaluated
Theoretical knowledge	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Input data and their processing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Methods used	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

### Thesis Evaluation Criteria

	Excellent	Very good	Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory	Cannot be evaluated
Degree of achievement of the aim of the thesis	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Original attitude to the topic processing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Adequacy of the methods used	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Depth of analysis (relative to topic)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Logical structure of the thesis and scope	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Working with Czech and foreign literature including citations	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Formal arrangement of the thesis (text, charts, tables)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Language level (style, grammar, terminology)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

## Applicability of the Results of the Thesis

	High	Medium	Low	Cannot be evaluated
For theory	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
For practice	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

## Other Comments on the Thesis

The aim of this research is to identify sustainability concepts that can suit the territorial changes and facilitate physical planning in order to ensure spatial development in selected countries.

I have some reservations:

- a) the theoretical framework of this thesis is very weak, there is no explanation of the basic theses of sustainability and its economic component,
- b) the author chose research methodology as described in Chapter 2. I would expect that the author will also present other methods and approaches that could be used, will discuss and the used method will be presented as a result of this discussion. This is completely missing. I believe that using a "case study" on a similar topic is very weak.
- c) In this case, the author himself is an „expert“ and qualitatively evaluated the selected criteria within the case study. I am afraid that objective criteria should have been chosen and assessed professionally.
- d) nowhere I did find out why the author chose Latvia, Hungary and Finland for comparative analysis. The conclusions describe the findings of individual countries, but there is no quality comparison.
- e) both formal and grammatical errors appear in the thesis.

## Questions and Suggestions for Defence

Indicate which sustainability concepts mentioned in theory can be applied in the selected countries and you can recommend for other countries.

## Final Evaluation

I **recommend** the thesis for the defence.

I propose to grade this Master's thesis as follows: **E**

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