Master's Thesis Supervisor's Expert Opinion

Student:	Agyei Reinolf
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Title of Master Thesis:	Corruption and International Trade
Aim of the Thesis:	The main aim is to identify the causes and consequences of corruption and determinants of international trade in the country. Whether corruption is a factor that improves international trade or conversely it hinders international transactions will be analyzed in selected group of countries.
Thesis Supervisor:	Linhartová Veronika, Ing. et Ing. Ph.D.
Study Programme:	N6202 / Economic Policy and Administration
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Difficulty of the Topic

	Excellent	Very good	Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory	Cannot be evaluated
Theoretical knowledge	☐	☒	☐	☐	☐
Input data and their processing	☐	☒	☐	☐	☐
Methods used	☐	☐	☒	☐	☐

Thesis Evaluation Criteria

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

Applicability of the Results of the Thesis

	High	**Medium**	**Low**	**Cannot be evaluated**
For theory	☐	☒	☐	☐
For practice	☐	☒	☐	☐

Other Comments on the Thesis

The author of the master thesis chose the topic of the analysis of the consequences of corruption in international trade. His thesis is structured neatly and its parts logically flows. Images and tables of thesis efetivelly complement the analysis.

It is necessary to mention that the cooperation of the student with his supervisor was at a low level, which affects the final impression of the thesis. The supervisor has a whole series of complaints about the work. Essential ones are mainly:
- The selection of variables entering the regression analysis should be better supported and defended by the literature.
- The performed regression analysis does not achieve very reliable results, nevertheless the student draws quite strong conclusions with regard to the results of the regression analysis.
- The literature recommended in the Assignment of diploma thesis was not fully used.

Most of the shortcomings could be eliminated by regular consultations of the thesis.

On the other hand, It is necessary to state that after many obstacles and difficulties during the thesis processing, the quality of the final thesis is good and it can be recommended for defence.

Comments on the Outputs from the Theses System

The thesis is not a plagiarism. The highest match rate is 0%.

Questions and Suggestions for Defence

1. Defend the selection of variables used in the regression analysis.

2. There are many corruption indices. Why did you use the Corruption Percention Index in your analysis? What are the advantages and disadvantages of this indicator?

Final Evaluation

I **recommend** the thesis for the defence.
I propose to grade this Master's thesis as follows: **C**

In Pardubice 19.5.2021

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