

## Master's Thesis Supervisor's Expert Opinion

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 Title of Master's Thesis: Regional Development Policies of Commonwealth countries in Africa  
 Aim of the Thesis: The aim of the theses is to assess the level of implementation of regional policies in the Commonwealth countries in Africa.  
 Thesis Supervisor: Ing. Martin Mašťálka, Ph.D.  
 Study Programme: Regional Development and Governance  
 Academic Year: 2022/2023

### Difficulty of the Topic

	Excellent	Very good	Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory	Cannot be evaluated
Theoretical knowledge	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Input data and their processing	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Methods used	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Original attitude to the topic processing	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Logical structure of the thesis and scope	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Working with Czech and foreign literature including citations	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Formal arrangement of the thesis (text, charts, tables)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Language level (style, grammar, terminology)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
For practice	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

## Other Comments on the Thesis

The aim the thesis was to assess the level of implementation of regional policies in the Commonwealth countries in Africa. In the theoretical part of the thesis the student precisely introduced theoretical background for the further research. The student describes the methodology of his research, and he provides three research questions.

The core of the practical part of the thesis is represented by the analyses and assess of the presence of a regional development policy or, at least, regional aspects in selected sector policies. The second part of the thesis consists of the survey. Unfortunately, student did not explain enough the linkage between the research questions and the survey questions. Some of the survey questions have no relation to the object of the study. The goal of the study was not clearly introduced.

The analytical part of the thesis is very deep and precise despite the facts mentioned above.

The formal aspect of thesis is convenient. Student uses suitable expressions as well as eligible tables and graphs. The presented document fulfils all the criteria for the level of the Master's thesis. I recommend the thesis for the defence.

## Comments on the Outputs from the Theses System

The maximum resemblance to other sources is 5%. There was no plagiarism identified.

## Questions and Suggestions for Defence

Could you shortly and clearly explain what the direct linkage between the survey and the research questions is? SDGs within the UN development Programme are very important for world contemporary development progress. What is the goal where Ghana lacks the most (according to your opinion)?

## Final Evaluation

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

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

In Pardubice 28.5.2023

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