



## Diploma Thesis Evaluation Form

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Title: **An energy-efficient Europe. Securing the energy supply of Finland**

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Criteria	Definition	Maximum	Points
<b>Major Criteria</b>			
	Research question, definition of objectives	<b>10</b>	<b>7</b>
	Theoretical/conceptual framework	<b>30</b>	<b>20</b>
	Methodology, analysis, argument	<b>40</b>	<b>20</b>
<i>Total</i>		<b>80</b>	<b>47</b>
<b>Minor Criteria</b>			
	Sources	<b>10</b>	<b>5</b>
	Style	<b>5</b>	<b>4</b>
	Formal requirements	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>
<i>Total</i>		<b>20</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>100</b>	<b>61</b>

### Evaluation

#### Major criteria:

A very interesting topic, slightly provocative, one of the hypotheses about Finland's pragmatism in relation to Russia. Hypotheses are well formulated; I have some doubts about the first research question, I don't know if it is really a research question or just a speech...

Theoretical part is too large despite my remarks by revision of this text. However, the theoretical part is not sufficiently interconnected with the application part of the MT, which is so slightly redundant.



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With regard to the methodology, the question arises as to why a discourse analysis when there are many sources (according to the author himself) in Finnish, which the author considers herself to be limiting for her research.

The way the topic is processed is not sufficiently analytical, but more descriptive, but it brings a lot of interesting information. It is worth mentioning why Finland from the Nordic countries has the largest energy consumption per capita – e. g.

Minor criteria:

The list of sources is not too extensive in the theoretical part, except it is not structured at all! If Russia and Finland are given a single subchapter, then I miss Russian resources.

Why is the Introduction and Conclusion numbered?

Overall evaluation:

The work presented was more ambitious than it had been able to accomplish. Above all, I lack the links between theoretical and application research; I also think that qualitative discourse analysis should produce tangible results.

In spite of the above objections, I regard the thesis as an honest attempt to process a sensitive subject. Is Finnish pragmatism (in the author's opinion) related to Russia with recent developments in the 20th century and so-called Finlandisation?

Suggested grade: **D**

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