

# Report on Bachelor Thesis

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<b>Title of the thesis:</b>	<b>Value Added in the Global Value Chains in the Automotive Industry in Slovakia</b>

## OVERALL ASSESSMENT

This thesis analyzes the value added in the global value chains in the automotive industry in Slovakia.

The thesis contains 33 pages followed by the bibliography and appendix. Chapter 1-3 introduces the topic and present detailed literature and theoretical background of the subject. The background literature on the automotive global value chain in Slovakia provided in chapter 2-3 demonstrates the authors' clear understanding of the subject.

Chapter 4 presents the input output tables, KWW and other methods used in the thesis. The methods are clearly and extensively explained which indicates the student knowledge of the relevant methods. Chapter 5 presents the global value chain in the region before joining the EU and after joining the EU and the impact that the 2009 financial crisis has had on the global value chain. Chapter 7 concludes the thesis.

### Suggested question for the defense:

Can you describe any positive/negative impact that these global value chains in the automotive industry might have on other firms in Slovakia (Vertical markets)?

This is a high-quality work for a student writing bachelor thesis. In case of successful defense, I recommend "vyborne" (Excellent, 1)

### SUMMARY OF POINTS AWARDED (for details, see below):

CATEGORY	POINTS
Literature (max. 20 points)	20
Methods (max. 30 points)	27
Contribution (max. 30 points)	27
Manuscript Form (max. 20 points)	18
<b>TOTAL POINTS</b> (max. 100 points)	<b>92</b>
<b>GRADE</b> (1 – 2 – 3 – 4)	<b>1</b>

**NAME OF THE REFEREE: Arshad Hayat**

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**EXPLANATION OF CATEGORIES AND SCALE:**

**LITERATURE REVIEW:** *The thesis demonstrates author's full understanding and command of recent literature. The author quotes relevant literature in a proper way.*

Strong                  Average                  Weak  
20                          10                          0

**METHODS:** *The tools used are relevant to the research question being investigated, and adequate to the author's level of studies. The thesis topic is comprehensively analyzed.*

Strong                  Average                  Weak  
30                          15                          0

**CONTRIBUTION:** *The author presents original ideas on the topic demonstrating critical thinking and ability to draw conclusions based on the knowledge of relevant theory and empirics. There is a distinct value added of the thesis.*

Strong                  Average                  Weak  
30                          15                          0

**MANUSCRIPT FORM:** *The thesis is well structured. The student uses appropriate language and style, including academic format for graphs and tables. The text effectively refers to graphs and tables and disposes with a complete bibliography.*

Strong                  Average                  Weak  
20                          10                          0

**Overall grading:**

TOTAL POINTS	GRADE		
81 – 100	<b>1</b>	= excellent	= výborně
61 – 80	<b>2</b>	= good	= velmi dobře
41 – 60	<b>3</b>	= satisfactory	= dobře
0 – 40	<b>4</b>	= fail	= nedoporučuji k obhajobě