



Diploma Thesis Evaluation Form

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Title: The concept of security dilemma in the environment of outer space: the case of the Galileo system

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Criteria	Definition	Maximum	Points
Major Criteria			
	Research question, definition of objectives	10	10
	Theoretical/conceptual framework	30	30
	Methodology, analysis, argument	40	33
<i>Total</i>		80	73
Minor Criteria			
	Sources	10	10
	Style	5	5
	Formal requirements	5	5
<i>Total</i>		20	20
TOTAL		100	93



Evaluation

Major criteria:

The presented thesis focuses on a potential security dilemma instigated by the Galileo system in the outer space. This is an intriguing and relevant research question which deserves analytical attention. That said, it should be appreciated that the research goals are tackled in a confident and insightful manner. The thesis reveals several strengths. First, I highly value the conceptual discussion that weaves together the traditional concepts with more recent innovations. In particular, I appreciate the utilization of Tang's approach, which still remains rather poorly recognized, even though it constitutes one of the most sophisticated and novel takes on Defensive Realism. Second, the part associating SD with outer space provides another innovative perspective, further enriching the conceptual framework. Indeed, this part essentially increased the coherence of the paper.

The thesis is very rich on empirical material, which is used to substantiate (sometimes illustrate) the conceptual points. The paper reads very well, the argumentation is persuasive. Finally, the conclusions sound counterintuitive, however, they are clearly justified by the performed analysis.

The above mentioned holds true, even if the methodology could be spelled out in a clearer way.

Minor criteria:

In all respects considered under minor criteria, the thesis is outstanding.

Overall evaluation:

All in all, the research was performed meticulously and reaches insightful conclusions. As such, it deserves the highest mark.



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Suggested grade:

A

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