



Diploma Thesis Evaluation Form

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Criteria	Definition	Maximum	Points
Major Criteria			
	Research question, definition of objectives	10	2
	Theoretical/conceptual framework	30	20
	Methodology, analysis, argument	40	28
<i>Total</i>		80	50
Minor Criteria			
	Sources	10	8
	Style	5	3
	Formal requirements	5	3
<i>Total</i>		20	14
TOTAL		100	64



Evaluation

Major criteria:

The thesis intends to offer a fresh look on the currently largely proliferated theme of hybrid warfare in a context of NATO strategic debates. The innovative element lies in reflecting hybrid warfare as an ontological security exercise. This is an interesting and original idea.

The crucial problems of the paper are of structural nature. Most importantly, the dissertation's aims and research goals should have been properly introduced. In reality, the introduction is missing and the entire understanding of the planned research can only be derived from the (excellent) abstract). It follows that research strategy is also rather intuitive. However, the paper effectively introduces and operates with concepts and offers some analytical insights through the two case studies.

Generally, it feels the paper was very well prepared and thought but written under some constraints. It is a shame, as there was a great potential in this research

Minor criteria:

Apart from the structural element there are no major formal issues.

Overall evaluation:

Structurally this is rather far from an ideal paper but substance-wise the dissertation provides a decent research and some interesting findings. I need to reflect the formal problems in my evaluation but can still recommend the paper for defence.

Suggested grade:

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