

IMESS DISSERTATION

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Please note that IMESS students are not required to use a particular set of methods (e.g. qualitative, quantitative, or comparative) in their dissertation.

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Dissertation title:	Evaluation of the Impact of Banking Regulation on the Stability of Banking Sector in CEE EU Members

	70+	69-65	60-61	59-55	54-50	<50
	A	B	C	D	E	F
Knowledge <i>Knowledge of problems involved, e.g. historical and social context, specialist literature on the topic. Evidence of capacity to gather information through a wide and appropriate range of reading, and to digest and process knowledge.</i>	X					
Analysis & Interpretation <i>Demonstrates a clear grasp of concepts. Application of appropriate methodology and understanding; willingness to apply an independent approach or interpretation recognition of alternative interpretations; Use of precise terminology and avoidance of ambiguity; avoidance of excessive generalisations or gross oversimplifications.</i>		X				
Structure & Argument <i>Demonstrates ability to structure work with clarity, relevance and coherence. Ability to argue a case; clear evidence of analysis and logical thought; recognition of an argument's limitation or alternative views; Ability to use other evidence to support arguments and structure appropriately.</i>		X				
Presentation & Documentation <i>Accurate and consistently presented footnotes and bibliographic references; accuracy of grammar and spelling; correct and clear presentation of charts/graphs/tables or other data. Appropriate and correct referencing throughout. Correct and contextually correct handling of quotations.</i>	X					
Methodology <i>Understanding of techniques applicable to the chosen field of research, showing an ability to engage in sustained independent research.</i>		X				

ECTS Mark:	B/65	Charles Mark:	B/81	Marker:	
<i>Deducted for late submission:</i>			No	Signed:	
<i>Deducted for inadequate referencing:</i>				Date:	

MARKING GUIDELINES

A (UCL mark 70+) = A (Charles mark 91-100 - excellent): *Note: marks of over 80 are given rarely and only for truly exceptional pieces of work.*

Distinctively sophisticated and focused analysis, critical use of sources and insightful interpretation. Comprehensive understanding of techniques applicable to the chosen field of research, showing an ability to engage in sustained independent research.

B (UCL mark 69-65) = B (Charles mark 81-90 - very good)

C (UCL mark 64-60) = C (Charles mark 71-80 - good): A high level of analysis, critical use of sources and insightful interpretation. Good understanding of techniques applicable to the chosen field of research, showing an ability to engage in sustained independent research. 65 or over equates to a B grade.

D (UCL mark 59-55) = D (Charles mark 61-70 - satisfactory)

E (UCL mark 54-50) = E (Charles mark 51-60 - sufficient):

Demonstration of a critical use of sources and ability to engage in systematic inquiry. An ability to engage in sustained research work, demonstrating methodological awareness. 55 or over equates to a D grade.

F (UCL mark less than 50) = F (Charles mark 0-50 - insufficient):

Demonstrates failure to use sources and an inadequate ability to engage in systematic inquiry. Inadequate evidence of ability to engage in sustained research work and poor understanding of appropriate research techniques.

Please provide substantive and detailed feedback!

Comments, explaining strengths and weaknesses (*at least 300 words*):

The Master thesis of Mengyao Wang is focused on the topic connected with evaluation of the impact of banking regulation on the stability of banking sector in CEE EU Members. The author works with the comparison of four countries – Poland, Hungary, Slovakia and Slovenia. The thesis is divided into four main chapters. Author starts with introduction and then follows with the first chapter dedicated to literature review which provides theoretical background and enables to understand and get to know basic overview about previous and current research. The literature review is divided according to the special sections which are used in the thesis. The internal part of this chapter is also the description of used methodology. The second chapter deals with definition of hypotheses and describes the grounds and principles from which the hypotheses come out. Third chapter provides concrete analysis and characteristic of basic data and methodology. Last chapter is devoted to final discussion and presentation of the results.

Regarding the content processing author has proved theoretical and empirical knowledge of selected topic. He has worked with many different types of literature and has showed the ability to process and analyze. The theoretical and empirical part is not balanced since theoretical part prevails.

From the formal point of view I would propose the different structure of the thesis. Although the topic starts with literature review and with the methodology description and hypothesis/research questions definition, I would also propose better division of theoretical part from the empirical part since empirical part is hidden in content. Author could also have better specified the methodology.

To conclude, the strengths of the thesis are analyses of the actual topic of the banking regulation on the stability of the banking sector in the selected CEE states. The weaknesses are mostly in formal part of the thesis.

Specific questions you would like addressing at the oral defence (*at least 2 questions*):

1) Can you describe the strengths and weaknesses of banking regulation in Poland, Hungary, Slovakia and Slovenia?

2) In which of these countries has the banking regulation the best/worst impact on the stability of banking sector?