

Report on Master Thesis

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Title of the thesis:	Exchange Rate Pass-Through in Mongolia

OVERALL ASSESSMENT (provided in English, Czech, or Slovak):

This master thesis presents an empirical analysis of the exchange rate pass-through in Mongolia, which is a relevant topic for monetary policy.

The structure of the thesis is relatively logical. After an introduction in Chapter 1, there is literature survey in Chapter 2. The exchange rate regime and inflation in Mongolia are described in Chapters 3 and 4. Chapter 5 states the hypothesis for empirical analysis, Chapter 6 outlines the econometric methodology, Chapter 7 describes the data and Chapter 8 contains the empirical work. Chapter 9 concludes.

The width of the literature survey is about right for a master thesis (even though one could make it even more extensive, given that the ERPT is a topic that attracts a lot of empirical research). The applied VAR model is a standard one, as well as the applied diagnostic tests and presentation of the results. The conclusions seem to fit rather well into the ERPT literature. They are thus not totally innovative, but I assume that they are valuable for Mongolia. The manuscript form is relatively good, even though the author should provide data sources for the figures in Chapters 3 and 4.

The author has consulted with me the thesis during his work, and has responded to my major suggestions. I thus have no further comments or questions for the defense. To sum up, **I can recommend the thesis to be accepted and graded "A" (excellent).**

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

CATEGORY	POINTS
Literature (max. 20 points)	17
Methods (max. 30 points)	25
Contribution (max. 30 points)	25
Manuscript Form (max. 20 points)	16
TOTAL POINTS (max. 100 points)	83
GRADE (1 – 2 – 3 – 4)	1

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