



Supervisor's MA Thesis Assessment

Title: Security Sector Reform in Armenia

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The thesis deals with a relevant topic of SSR in Armenia. The principal goal was to assess the dynamics of the processes connected with the transformation of the security sector in Armenia.

The thesis has a logical structure while the arguments flow clearly. It offers a relevant theoretical discussion of the SSR concept and solid empirical analysis elucidating crucial elements of SSR in Armenia.

My main critical points concern the theoretical discussion which is mostly based on the conceptual documents issued within the frameworks of relevant international organizations. More academic sources would make the selection of variables more convincing. Following this step the operationalization could have been more effectively done and the causal links more visible.

However, generally, the analysis is convincing due to the functional analytical framework and solid resource base.

I recommend the thesis for defence.



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