

**Charles University**  
**Faculty of Social Sciences**

**Report on the state final final examination**  
**Record of the thesis defence**

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**Student:** Oguz Aslay, B.Sc.  
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**Type of the study programme:** Master's (post-Bachelor)  
**Study programme:** Economics  
**Branch of study:** Master in Economics and Finance  
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**Title of the thesis:** The Association between Firm Characteristics and Access to Finance in SMEs: Cross Country Evidence from Europe

**Pracoviště práce:** Institute of Economic Studies  
**Language of the thesis:** English  
**Language of defence:** English  
**Advisor:** Ugur Gok, M.A.  
**Reviewer(s):** doc. Ing. Tomáš Cahlík, CSc.

**Date of defence :** 20.06.2018      **Venue of defence :** Praha

**Course of defence:** Oguz Aslay presented his master thesis first. Commission first asked questions raised by an advisor and an opponent in their reports and then asked several additional questions. Questions focused on cooperation with a student with his advisor, data problems, econometric strategy to use, interpretation of results (causality issues) and the usage of the Hausman test. Oguz Aslay answered questions in a satisfactory way. Commission has agreed on a grade of D.

**Result of defence:** very good

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