

IMESS dissertation						
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Dissertation title:	Discursive Energy Security: Narratives and Public Relations in Natural Gas Pipelines. Nabucco vs. South Stream Case Study.					
Scale: 5 - excellent, 4 - good, 3 - satisfactory, 2 - poor, 1 – very poor						
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ARGUMENT:						
Clearly defined research question	X					No clearly defined research question
Answers research question		X				Does not answer research question
Well structured			X			Badly structured
Shows theoretical awareness	X					Shows no theoretical awareness
Conceptual clarity		X				Conceptual confusion
Empirically appropriate & robust		X				Full of empirical errors
Logical and coherent		X				Illogical and incoherent
Analytical	X					Descriptive
Critical	X					Uncritical
Shows independent thought	X					Does not show independent thought
SOURCES & USAGE:						
Evidence of reading/research	X					No evidence of reading/research
Effective use of sources/data		X				Ineffective use of sources/data
WRITING STYLE:						
Clear		X				Obscure
Good punctuation	X					Poor punctuation
Grammatically correct	X					Grammatically incorrect
PRESENTATION:						
Appropriate length		X				Too long/short
Good referencing	X					Poor/inconsistent referencing
Good spelling	X					Poor spelling
Good bibliography		X				Poor bibliography
Comments:						
<p>Alina chose a complex topic combining the problems of energy policies of several actors (Russia, EU) on different levels (companies, states) and the communication strategies of these actors. Generally said, she did a great job. Although I may not agree with some of the conclusions (I would not link the friendlier attitude of the Europeans to Gazprom in the 2009 crisis compared to 2006 crisis just to the communication strategies of Gazprom - p.57, Gazprom is not operating at loss currently - 63) they are just minor ones and should not affect the general opinion.</p> <p>Alina shows great command in energy and also public communication strategies and also of the theoretical framework of both the fields. She reflects the possible combinations and problems (offensive vs defensive communication strategy, reality vs perception of reality). The literature is adequate. My only comment will be connected with the structure and the conclusion, which is rather short.</p> <p>To conclude, from my point of view, the paper reflects the discussion about the projects.</p>						

Specific Questions for oral defence:

Were the PR strategies influenced by the recent oversupply of gas in Europe?

Deducted for late submission:	Deducted for faulty referencing:	Mark*: A
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Scheme of award (assessment criteria):

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Excellent	Výborně [1]	A
Very Good	Velmi dobře [2]	B
Good	Velmi dobře [2.5]	C
Satisfactory	Dobře [3]	D
Sufficient	Dobře [3.5]	E
Fail	Neprospěl [4]	F