Report on **Bachelor / Master Thesis**

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Title of the thesis:	**The effects of labour market institutions on unemployment in the EU**

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

The thesis deals with the description of the role of labour market institutions on the level of unemployment in the EU countries. After the short introduction comes literature review where all relevant works are discussed. Third chapter provides us with description of the dataset and econometric methods used for analysis. Main contribution of the work lies in chapter 4 „Empirical Results" where the results are presented very carefully.

Overall, thesis is well structured, nicely written (I found only 2 typos – "tree" instead of "three" on p. 7 and 9) and reads well.

I have no additional question to be answered during defense thus in case of successful defense, I recommend **" výborně " (excellent, 1).**

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

CATEGORY		POINTS
Literature	*(max. 20 points)*	18
Methods	*(max. 30 points)*	28
Contribution	*(max. 30 points)*	28
Manuscript Form	*(max. 20 points)*	19
TOTAL POINTS	*(max. 100 points)*	**93**
GRADE	**(1 – 2 – 3 – 4)**	**1**

NAME OF THE REFEREE: František Čech

DATE OF EVALUATION: 18.6.2014

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LITERATURE REVIEW: The thesis demonstrates author's full understanding and command of recent literature. The author quotes relevant literature in a proper way.

Strong	*Average*	*Weak*
20	*10*	*0*

METHODS: The tools used are relevant to the research question being investigated, and adequate to the author's level of studies. The thesis topic is comprehensively analyzed.

Strong	*Average*	*Weak*
30	*15*	*0*

CONTRIBUTION: The author presents original ideas on the topic demonstrating critical thinking and ability to draw conclusions based on the knowledge of relevant theory and empirics. There is a distinct value added of the thesis.

Strong	*Average*	*Weak*
30	*15*	*0*

MANUSCRIPT FORM: The thesis is well structured. The student uses appropriate language and style, including academic format for graphs and tables. The text effectively refers to graphs and tables and disposes with a complete bibliography.

Strong	*Average*	*Weak*
20	*10*	*0*

Overall grading:

TOTAL POINTS	GRADE		
81 – 100	1	= excellent	= výborně
61 – 80	2	= good	= velmi dobře
41 – 60	3	= satisfactory	= dobře
0 – 40	4	= fail	= nedoporučuji k obhajobě