

# Report on Bachelor Thesis

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<b>Title of the thesis:</b>	<b>The economic development and international trade of North Korea using the factor analysis method</b>

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

This bachelor thesis brings a lot of statistical information about North Korea, from different sources, and discusses the problems related with obtaining relatively trustworthy data about North Korea. It uses the data for analyzing the relation between growth and trade.

Taking into consideration that the BEF students have just Econometrics 1, methods used are acceptable but one can see that the student lacks deeper understanding of what she is doing. What I really miss is some verbal interpretation of factors. In my opinion, it is not sufficient just to show what the factors consist from.

This thesis fulfils the requirements we have for bachelor theses at the IES. I recommend it for defense.

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

<b>CATEGORY</b>	<b>POINTS</b>
<i>Literature</i> (max. 20 points)	20
<i>Methods</i> (max. 30 points)	10
<i>Contribution</i> (max. 30 points)	10
<i>Manuscript Form</i> (max. 20 points)	20
<b>TOTAL POINTS</b> (max. 100 points)	<b>60</b>
<b>GRADE</b> (1 – 2 – 3 – 4)	<b>3</b>

**NAME OF THE REFEREE:** *Doc. Ing. Tomáš Cahlík, CSc.*

**DATE OF EVALUATION:** *May 29, 2017*

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**Referee Signature**

**EXPLANATION OF CATEGORIES AND SCALE:**

**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	<b>1</b>	= excellent	= výborně
61 – 80	<b>2</b>	= good	= velmi dobře
41 – 60	<b>3</b>	= satisfactory	= dobře
0 – 40	<b>4</b>	= fail	= nedoporučuji k obhajobě