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Master's Thesis Evaluation

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Title of the thesis: Czech Expatriates in China - the factors of success

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Goals of the thesis:

- 1. Analyze the specifics of the Chinese culture relevant for a Czech expatriate willing to relocate to China, particularly the differences of the Chinese and the Czech cultures
- 2. Explore the concrete influences of the Chinese culture on daily working life, business negotiations, networking, etc.
- 3. Provide recommendations for Czech expatriates about how to suitably and successfully behave, act, work and live within the Chinese environment.

1.		Grade			
bligatory criteria	1	2	3	4	
The goals of the thesis are evident					
Understanding of the relevant theoretical framework	\boxtimes				
Practical skills required	\boxtimes				
Justified methods for reaching the goals were chosen					
Depth and relevance of the analysis in relation to goals					
Making use of literature/other resources, citing		\boxtimes			
The thesis is a well-organised logical whole					
Structural, grammatical, spelling errors complicating reading					
The overall appearance of the thesis is formally correct	\boxtimes				
Originality, i.e. it is produced by the student	\boxtimes				
Practical/theoretical relevance/applicability					

2. Remarks and

suggestions:

Kindly see paragraph 3 - Comments on evaluation and the justification of the grade assigned

3. Comments on

evaluation and the justification of the grade assigned:

I consider this diploma thesis an exceptional work, in which the author showed his great interest and passion in cultural dimension theories, his extraordinary understanding about the Chinese and Czech business cultures and outstanding problem-solving abilities.

The goals proposed at the beginning of the thesis are completely answered and the recommendations for the Czech expatriates are highly applicable. Personally I think the significance of this work is more than theoretical supports to the Czech expatriates, it is worth reading for any people, who are interested in the Chinese or Czech culture in general.

I would like to point out the following highlights of the thesis:

- 1. The whole work is built on a great logical structure, for the story line is fairly clear to the readers
- 2. The main values of the Chinese and Czech cultures are precisely defined
- 3. Research questionnaire is designed on a original basis and on a professional level
- 4. The conclusion and recommendations proposed are highly applicable
- 5. At the end of the thesis the author showed his plan for his further development in this area and willingness to cooperate with other people, who are interested in this topic

Although the practical part lacks in the sector distribution of the Czech expatriates in China and the partial analyses for each sector, which can, in my view, probably improve the practicability of this work onto a higher level, I still think that the targets proposed as the general characteristics of the Czech expatriates are accomplished.

On top of that I propose the final grade of this thesis to be Excellent.

4.	Questions for
	discussion:
	According to Hofstete's research result, China scores 118 points of the LTO index (page 31), which is relatively high on a world scale. The author also mentioned "The Chinese Culture places large value on building long-term personal relationships"(page 27). However, at the same time, the Chinese individuals tend to be more pragmatic than fore-sighted. For instance, a lot of the enterprises with China capital are short-term profit-driven and have problems to set their core values or long-term plans. How do you explain this cultural paradox?
I reco	ommend the submitted thesis for its final defense.
Final	grade: Excellent (1)
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	Signature of the Opponent