Assessment of Master Thesis

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Subject: Phenomenon of the FDI: Exchange Rate Predictions

Demand factors:		
Theoretical background	Average	Above - average X
Data used	Average X	Above – average
Methodology used	Average	Above - average X

Criterion	Scale			
	Excellent	Very good	Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory
Overall				
objective		X		
achievement				
Self-reliance of	X			
author				
Logical		X		
structure				
Using of				
literature,		X		
citations				
Adequacy of		X		
methods used				
Depth of			X	
analysis				
Form of MT:				
text, graphs,		X		
tables				
Felicitousness		X		

Usefulness of results in practice and theory: average

Discussion topic for defense:

The topic of the thesis is relatively a difficult one. Karen has done his best to develop appropriate theoretical part and to contribute to the research area by original practical part based on his own experience in currency trading. Overall, I consider the main objectives of the thesis to be met. But still, the theoretical part doesn't go much into the details (in terms of explaining the relations between fundamentals and exchange rates) and conclusions of practical part could be better explained and justified.

- 1. Briefly describe so called algorithm trading and its possible impacts on exchange rates.
- 2. Explain the fundamentals of efficient market theory. How can we test it in practice?

Master Thesis is recommended for the defense

Grade proposed: "very good"	
Prague, 24 th of March 2013	
	Signature of academic consultant