

Posudek oponenta diplomové práce

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Konkrétní připomínky a dotazy k práci:

The thesis represents an excellent and genuine analysis of the East Asia's security problematique. Among its key strengths belong:

The author indicates and defines the key concepts (polarity, identity, and interdependence) and theories (neorealism, neoliberalism, constructivism) which are then applied to define the East Asia's security system (the "democratic triad" versus China), to analyse the key players' strategies and security issues/ conflicts, as well as to project for the future. The reviewer appreciates that the author explicitly relies on the knowledge and sources obtained during her Master's study.

The thesis has a logical, coherent structure. The parts and chapters are linked and direct the reader to other places in the text. The arguments are clearly stated and explained, backed by data, documents, dozens of quotations, etc.

The thesis quotes and lists over 130 sources, among them primary documents (security/ military/ defence strategies, agreements, statistics, etc.), scholarly papers and books, expert views, etc. It quotes relevant authors from the field of security studies and IR, most of them well-known in the field. In addition, some of them were collected already during the author's previous studies (Bachelor's thesis), Master's studies, and semester abroad at the Seoul National University, i.e. in the region in focus of the thesis. This proves the author's continued interest in the issue.

Finally, the design of the thesis seems to be genuine. The text is no mere collection of other authors' ideas and claims, or a (historical) description of the theme. The author's input is evident.

As to weaknesses, there are no major faults. Only some minor formal and language mistakes could be mentioned.

As the thesis exceeds the requirements, the reviewer suggests to consider to apply for the ESOP 2013 competition (see http://www.vse.cz/veda/esop_2013.php).

Questions for defence: 1/ The North Korea's nuclear threat could paradoxically create a certain kind of stability in the region, forcing the other involved parties to cooperate in security terms. Do you agree? 2/ What should be the priorities of the Czech foreign policy in the region?

Závěr: Diplomovou práci **doporučuji k obhajobě.**

Navrhovaná výsledná klasifikace práce: **1**

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