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Konkrétní připomínky a dotazy k práci:

I consider the thesis by Julie M. Pazderka to be below average level for this type of master programs. It has interesting historical and political parts, which are, however, just taken over from other sources in most of the cases. But still, Julie tries to assess the major events by herself and to draw her own opinions and conclusions about that. Thus, there is some value added in these parts of the thesis.

As for the economic analysis, I can only conclude that this one is rather weak and inconsistent. Data presented and conclusions made based on it do not really create "a whole picture of the story". Instead, just selected aspects are pointed out. Furthermore these findings are not backed by any "promised" quantitative analysis.

The goal of the thesis is not well defined. Firstly, it is very complicated, and secondly, one could hardly meet it to full extent since it is impossible to prove that China will grow faster than India forever because of reasons mentioned in the thesis ...

There are also some serious formal mistakes in the thesis (e.g. tables are not numbered and sometimes even not sourced!) and the language could also have been improved. The extent of the thesis is also at the edge of acceptability.

All in all, the thesis meets just basic standards, and therefore I propose grading "good" in case of a solid defense.

Questions for the defense:

How do you evaluate the exchange rate policies of both countries (including current actions of the People's Bank of China to weaken the Chinese currency)? Does any of the two currencies have a potential to become an international reserve currency? If so, what are the key steps on this way and how would this affect the relative competitive position of both countries on international markets?

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

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