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DISSERTATION EVALUATION
READER'S FORM

Dissertation title: **The electoral consequences of immigration: Do anti-immigration politicians benefit from the presence of immigrants?**

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1) The dissertation should:
    a. have an original empirical part, albeit of limited scope, OR
    b. (in the best of cases) contribute to theory, OR
    c. be a 'meta-empirical' study, i.e. a comparative study of empirical results, with particular care to synthesis, OR
    d. be a thorough critical survey of the literature (empirical and/or theoretical).
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Detailed appreciation:

Item	Mark (0 to 5)
Presentation	
Is the dissertation well organised?	4.5
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Are the tables and figures well-presented and appropriately referenced?	5
Does the dissertation fit in the 12,000 worlds limit? (Penalise if you think the limit has not been reasonably respected.)	4
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Is there a good enough coverage of the literature that is reviewed?	5
Are the main relevant contributions included in the list of references?	4.5
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Is the choice of assumptions clearly motivated?	4.5
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If there are, what is the quality of the proofs?	
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Is the choice of the econometric model a relevant one?	5
Is the choice of econometric methods appropriate?	4.5
Are the main econometric problems (e.g. endogeneity) well dealt with?	5
Argumentation	
Is the dissertation well motivated?	4.5
Is the argumentation well-presented and clear?	4.5
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What is the degree of originality of the work?	5
What is the potential of the dissertation to lead to publication in an academic journal?	4.5
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Has the student regularly worked on the dissertation all along the year?	na
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Was the student really autonomous?	na

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It is an interesting, well written, well argumented dissertation work.
It is publishable to the extent that a reduced version be prepared.
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It is enlightening for further works in this direction even at international comparative level, where applicable, for the time being.

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