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| **Program:** | Master in Management (MIM) |
| **Student:** | Ove Murberg Henriksen |
| **Title of thesis:** | An exploration of cognitive traps and personality effects on decision making of project managers |

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| **Justification of the topic choice. Accuracy in defining the aim and objectives of the thesis.** Justification of the topic choice; accuracy in defining the aim and tasks of the thesis; originality of the topic and the extent to which it was covered; alignment of the thesis’ topic, aim and objectives. |
| Justification of the topic choice; 7/10  accuracy in defining the aim and tasks of the thesis; 7/10  originality of the topic and the extent to which it was covered;8/10  alignment of the thesis’ topic, 6/10  aim and objectives. 7/10 |
| **Structure and logic of the text flow.** |
| Logic of research; 6/10  full scope of the thesis; 7/10  alignment of thesis’ structural parts, i.e. theoretical and empirical parts. 6/10  Ove did very well in the end. Initially, he was in trouble, but he did manage to pull off a good piece of work with clear implications and clear academic rational of good quality. Clearly many parts can be improved and better presented (e.g. findings and statistics) but overall I think it is off adequate level for Masters’ Thesis |
| **Quality of analytical approach and quality of offered solution to the research objectives.** Adequacy of objectives coverage; ability to formulate and convey the research problem; ability to offer options for its solution; application of the latest trends in relevant research are for the set objectives. |
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| **Quality of data gathering and description.** Quality of selecting research tools and methods; data validity adequacy; adequacy of used data for chosen research tools and methods; completeness and relevance of the list of references. |
| Quality of selecting research tools and methods; data validity adequacy; 8/10  adequacy of used data for chosen research tools and methods; 8/10  completeness and relevance of the list of references.7/10  Some issues through with the style of referencing and quotations. |
| **Scientific aspect of the thesis.** Independent scientific thinking in solving the set problem/objectives; the extent to which the student contributed to selecting and justifying the research model (conceptual and/or quantitative), developing methodology/approach to set objectives. |
| Independent scientific thinking in solving the set problem/objectives; 7/10  the extent to which the student contributed to selecting and justifying the research model (conceptual and/or quantitative),  developing methodology/approach to set objectives. 7/10  Clear contribution both for theorists and practitioners although it could be more extensive and detailed. |
| **Practical/applied nature of research.** Extent to which the theoretical background is related to the international or Russian managerial practice; development of applied recommendations; justification and interpretation of the empirical/applied results. |
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| **Originality of the text.** All sources of match identified by the Safe Assign system follow the allowed cases, the paper does not contain any elements of plagiarism. |
| Yes, correct. |

The Master thesis of Ove Murberg Henriksen **meets** the requirements for master thesis of MIM program thus the author of the thesis can be awarded the required degree.

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