Review of the academic supervisor

Master thesis: "Strategic priorities of NATO in Latvia, Lithuania and Estonia"

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1. Assessment of the thesis

№ п. п.	Criteria	grades: • excellent (5) • good (4) • satisfactory (3) • non-satisfactory (2)	comments
1.	**Relevance of the topic** (АОМ: ОКМ-13, 22; АМ: ОКМ-8,16, ПК-36; ПОМ: ПК-6)	5	
2.	**Novelty** (АОМ: ОКМ-13, 22; АМ: ОКМ-8,16, ПК-36; ПОМ: ПК-6)	5	
3.	**Correctness of goal setting, interrelatedness of goal and objectives** (АОМ: ОКМ- 9, 13, 32; АМ: ПК-10, 11; ПОМ: ОКМ-12)	5	
4.	**Completeness and quality of the primary sources** (АОМ: ПК-17; АМ: ОКМ- 24; ПОМ: ОКМ-18, ПК-13)	5	
5.	**Study of the existing research literature on the topic** (АОМ: ПК-17; АМ: ОКМ- 24; ПОМ: ОКМ-18, ПК-13)	4	Generally, Anastasia have found and used quite a lot of publications, but the scope of the thesis appeared to be too broad, so that the literature did not cover some of topics.
6.	**Selection of research methods** (АОМ: ОКМ-2; АМ: ОКМ- 10, ПК-26; ПОМ: ОКМ-11, 14)	4	Most of paragraphs are predominantly descriptive
7.	**The goal of the research is achieved** (АОМ: ОКМ-1,7, ПК-33; АМ: ОКМ- 17, ПК-12, 37; ПОМ: ОКМ-14, ПК-14, 17)	3	The original goal was to concentrate on contemporary affairs. The paper finally became more like a collection of historical cases
8.	**Quality of the text** (АОМ: ОКМ-1; АМ: ОКМ-8; ПОМ:	4	

	OKM-7)		
9.	**Performance evaluation** (AOM: OKM-23; AM: OKM-19; ПOM: OKM-13, 23, 27)	4	
	Average rating:		

2. Conclusions and recommendations to the Evaluation Commission:

The thesis contains interesting material and some good overviews. Analytical component plays secondary role and some of the conclusions are quite superficial.

3. Recommended grade: Good

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