Reference of scientific advisor

to the Master’ Thesis by Darina Gribova

“'PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS OF COVERING RUSSIA BY CITIZEN JOURNALISTS: THE CASE OF GLOBAL VOICES”

I know Darina since she was an undergraduate student of Department of International Journalism in Graduate School of Journalism and Mass Communication. Darina always acted as a talented journalist, responsible and highly motivated student.

She started to work on master thesis during the first year of education in master program. Darina performed excellent skills in determining object and subject of the study, setting aim and objectives, and in choosing research methods to complete the tasks. It should be noticed that the level of using research instruments is relevant almost to a PhD degree. Darina successfully generated research questions which were answered in the study. All the deadlines were met in time, the contacts with scientific advisor were maintained constantly.

Besides academic qualification of Darina Gribova, we would also like to focus on her professional achievements as a journalist. First of all, studying Global Voices media project was determined by the fact that Darina is a part of the team.

The list of achievements in 2015-2016 in chronological order is following:

* 04 / 2016 Covering the «Total Dictation» project for «Russian Reporter» magazine. Saint Petersburg, Russia;
* 11 / 2015 International Research and Practice Seminar «Mediapolygon 24» conducted by «Russian Reporter». Samara, Russia;
* 06 / 2015 Work in international research project EJO Study: Coverage of the conflict in Ukraine in selected European countries;
* 04 / 2015 Covering the «Total Dictation» project for «Russian Reporter» magazine. Berlin, Germany;
* 24-27.03 / 2015 International Information Seminar for Journalists and Economists on the World Trade Organization. Geneva, Switzerland;
* 03 / 2015 The third prize at the journalistic competition «My laboratory» hold by MSU and ROSNANO. Moscow, Russia;
* 2015 Publication of the Bachelor thesis in a collection of scientific articles «The century of information. The values of Russian journalism». №1 (S1);
* 11 - 13. 03/ 2015 The best speech at XIV International scientific conference «Mass media in the modern world. Young researchers», publication of abstracts. Saint Petersburg, Russia;
* 02 / 2015 Russian-Norway International seminar «Human Rights and Multicultural Understanding». Saint Petersburg;
* 01 / 2015 Work in a research project Studying journalism cultures in Russia of 2010.

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Thus, the study is a result of independent work of a master student that demonstrated excellent academic and professional skills of Darina Gribova.

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