

REFEREE'S REVIEW

Program:	MIB
Student:	Julia Rybalchenko
Title of thesis:	AN EMPIRICAL ANALYSIS OF SOCIAL ENTREPRENEURIAL INTENTIONS FORMATION AMONG STUDENTS: EVIDENCE FROM GUESSS PROJECT

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.	5	4	3	2
Structure and logic of the text flow. Logic of research; full scope of the thesis; alignment of thesis' structural parts, i.e. theoretical and empirical parts.	5	4	3	2
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.	5	4	3	2
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.	5	4	3	2
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.	5	4	3	2
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.	5	4	3	2
Quality of thesis layout. Layout fulfils the requirements of the Regulations for master thesis preparation and defense, correct layout of tables, figures, references.	5	4	3	2

Each item above is evaluated on the following scale, as applicable: 5 = excellent, 4 = good, 3 = satisfactory, 2 = poor.

Additional comments:

The problem of the master thesis is actual and correspond with the global trend of increasing interest to development entrepreneurial spirit in students and personal creative skills. The goal of the master thesis devoted to analysis of the factors that form students' intentions to become social entrepreneurs was reached with proper research methods and application of systems thinking. The results of the study have both theoretical (in the field of developed economies and emerging markets) and practical implications. In the practical part Julia has managed to reveal factors that should taken into account in developing special programs for stimulating entrepreneurial activity in social entrepreneurship area in different countries.

Master thesis of **Julia Rybalchenko** meets the requirements of Master in International Business program, and deserves an **excellent** grade, thus the author can be given the desired degree.

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