

Review of Master work reviewer

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Qualification Work Title	Financing of Brownfields in Selected Countries
Name and Type of Study Programme	Regional and European Project Management / Navazující
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Thesis evaluation

1. Importance and difficulty of the topic 1.0

Note: The topic is highly important as brownfield regeneration is a challenge for most of the EU-countries. It is complex due to the interdisciplinarity.

2. Logical structure of the thesis 2.0

Note: The overall structure is good. The basic notions of the topic are broadly discussed and defined. However there is a lack of comparative analysis of the different compiled definitions.

3. Fulfillment of objectives 2.0

Note: The initial research questions are all answered in the conclusion. The added value of the comparison however is less clear.

4. Methodological approach 1.5

Note: The method consist essentially in compiling the information given in very spread Czech, French, German and EU-Sources in four languages.

5. Assessment of theoretical and/or practical contribution of the thesis 2.0

Note: The main merit of this thesis is to give an overview about very spread data. Practical steps for brownfield regeneration are also presented as well as an overview about the possibility of getting EU founding for it.

6. Handling of literature 1.0

Note: The bibliography is very large containing publications in four languages (Czech, English, French, and German). The citations in the text are conform the norms.

7. Formal aspects 3.0

Note: Most of the bibliographical entries don't correspond to the norms for academic publications. Sometimes the textual cohesion (especially the thematic progression) is not well elaborated.

Conclusion

Thesis evaluation (note): **very good**

I recommend the thesis for defence: **YES**

Questions and comments

Critical comments and overall contributions, total value of the thesis

The topic is highly important as brownfield regeneration is a challenge for most of the EU-countries. It is complex due to the interdisciplinarity, the huge number of sources two be consulted and the

highly complex EU financial founding system.

The overall structure is good. The basic notions of the topic are broadly discussed and defined. However there is a lack of comparative analysis of the different compiled definitions. This could have been done for instance by a resuming table which visualizes the convergences and differences.

The method consist essentially in compiling the information given in very spread Czech, French, German and EU-Sources in four languages (Czech, English, French, and German). There is an enormous research work behind, however there is often a lack of a more thorough analysis of the presented data.

In an overall evaluation, this Master's thesis is a study based on a very large and rich research, bringing together very spread data in four languages from three countries. The overall view about the problematic of brownfields in the three countries Czech Republic, France and Germany is in itself a highly valuable contribution. However (and this is in my opinion the weaker point of this study), often there is a lack of hierarchization and deeper analysis of the compiled information.

Questions and topics for discussion before the commission

1. What is in your opinion the added value of the comparison of the brownfield situations in the three countries you have compared? Which deeper insights did you get from this comparison?
2. If we assume the hypothetical case, that there would be two brownfields in the Czech-German border region, on one the Czech side, the other on the German side, both are closed to each other and only divided by the border, so that it would be theoretically possible to elaborate a common crossborder regeneration project creating a common crossborder area. What would be (based on your findings in this Master's thesis) your recommendations to the local agents of both sides of the border, if they want to start such a common regeneration project?

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Signature of reviewer