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Course of defence: Debate focused mainly on three items: weak testing of theoretical assumptions of empirical methodologies, usage of relevant statistics (if all were used), and design of dataset where regional scale should be replaced by selection of countries, to have a more detailed and specific results. Reviewers were proposing A, B, and C, according to ability of a student the board decided to give B as a final outcome, because an excellent explanation was provided only in the first and third case, while the lack of some relevant statistics and prevailing focus on regional (than a country) level was defined as problem which influenced the outcomes of research. The board proposed B as a final mark.

Result of defence:	excellent (B)	
Chair of the board:	doc. PhDr. Jiří Vykoukal, CSc. (present)
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