



Diploma Thesis Evaluation Form

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Criteria	Definition	Maximum	Points
Major Criteria			
	Research question, definition of objectives	10	10
	Theoretical/conceptual framework	30	28
	Methodology, analysis, argument	40	36
<i>Total</i>		80	74
Minor Criteria			
	Sources	10	10
	Style	5	5
	Formal requirements	5	5
<i>Total</i>		20	20
TOTAL		100	94



Evaluation

Major criteria:

The thesis examines the role of big data in global climate governance. This is an interesting perspective, allowing the author to frame the climate change as a broad concept and to engage its technological as well as social dimension. The literature on global governance is surveyed well and serves as a solid foundation for establishing an appropriate conceptualization. The concept of big data provides an apt connection between governance and the climate change. The empirical analysis is well-informed and includes a nice section on its limits, which is a welcome addition. That being said, there are minor shortcomings concerning the comparison of the analyzed case studies. Mostly, it could be more elaborated. Furthermore, the same applies to the comments on public-private partnerships.

Minor criteria:

All minor criteria are observed in full.

Assessment of plagiarism:

Based on the anti-plagiarism software checks, it is formally confirmed that the submitted thesis is original and, to the best of my knowledge and belief, does not, in an ethically unacceptable manner, draw from the works of other authors.



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Overall evaluation:

All in all, the thesis offers an innovative look at the global climate governance, using big data as a springboard towards treating the climate change as a broad phenomenon that impacts not only the environmental domain.

Suggested grade: A (94)

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