



# Report on the part of the master state examination Record of the thesis defence

Academic year: 2021/2022

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**Type of the study programme:** Master's (post-Bachelor)  
**Study programme:** International Master in Security, Intelligence and Strategic Studies (IMSISS)

**Study ID:** 685699

**Title of the thesis:** A comparison of online news media framing of the 2022 Russia-Ukraine conflict in Ukraine, Russia, the U.S. & China  
**Thesis department:** Department of Security Studies (23-KBS)  
**Language of the thesis:** English  
**Language of defence:** English  
**Advisor:** Damien Van Puyvelde, Dr.  
**Date of defence:** 14.09.2022    **Venue of defence:** Praha  
**Attempt:** regular

**Course of defence:** The committee started the defense by inviting the student to reflect on his research objectives, theoretical framework, methodological tools and major empirical findings. The student provided an in-depth overview of the thesis, both theoretically and empirically, stressing the importance of a comparative approach to the topic. The committee proceeded with summarizing the reports of the reviewers and asked from the student to respond to critical issues. The student agreed with certain weaknesses of the thesis, while demonstrating the analytical capability to defend his arguments and research claims. The student expressed strong disagreement with parts of the reports of the reviewers, labeling them as inaccurate and unjustified.

**Result of defence:** very good (C)

**Chair of the board:** prof. PhDr. RNDr. Nikola Hynek, Ph.D., .....  
M.A. (present)

**Committee members:** PhDr. JUDr. Tomáš Karásek, Ph.D. (present) .....  
Ken McDonagh, Dr. (present) .....