



## Diploma Thesis Evaluation Form

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Title: Prevention of Threats to Galileo Global Navigation Satellite System

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Criteria	Definition	Maximum	Points
<b>Major Criteria</b>			
	Research question, definition of objectives	<b>10</b>	7
	Theoretical/conceptual framework	<b>30</b>	15
	Methodology, analysis, argument	<b>40</b>	30
<i>Total</i>		<b>80</b>	52
<b>Minor Criteria</b>			
	Sources	<b>10</b>	10
	Style	<b>5</b>	5
	Formal requirements	<b>5</b>	5
<i>Total</i>		<b>20</b>	20
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>100</b>	72



## Evaluation

### Major criteria:

I find this thesis to be a well-written text with some notable strengths and weaknesses. However, it leans more towards a think tank report/policy paper rather than a traditional master thesis.

The thesis tackles an important and interesting topic by exploring how the Galileo Global Navigation Satellite System deals with threats. The author provides a comprehensive overview of the system's history, development, current situation, and global position. The empirical aspect of the thesis is strong, as it examines the vulnerabilities of the Galileo system to external material or technical threats.

However, several weaknesses need to be addressed. Firstly, there is an imbalance between description and analysis, with the thesis containing more descriptive content than in-depth analysis. The methodology chapter lacks a clear methodology, as it fails to provide a rationale for the research questions and lacks information about the data and analytical strategies employed. Additionally, the absence of a literature review and engagement with relevant theories hinders the thesis's scholarly depth. The contribution of the thesis remains unclear, as it does not attempt to theorize or provide a coherent argument.

Furthermore, although the threats to the Galileo system are identified, it is not explicitly clear how these threats were identified and analyzed. The thesis would benefit from a more robust and transparent methodological approach in this regard. Additionally, the conclusion chapter does not fulfill its purpose as a proper conclusion. While it provides a summary of the thesis, it lacks a comprehensive conclusion that synthesizes the findings and offers final insights or implications.

### Minor criteria:

Nothing to complain about.

### 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:**

**In conclusion, Tomáš Kouba's master thesis on the prevention of threats to the Galileo Global Navigation Satellite System presents a well-written text with relevant empirical content. However, it tends to resemble a think tank report rather than a traditional master thesis. The thesis would benefit from a stronger analytical component, a more robust methodology, engagement with relevant literature and theory, and a clear articulation of its contribution. Moreover, the conclusion chapter should be revised to provide a conclusive summary and final insights.**

**Suggested grade: C**

**Signature:**