



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

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

**Study ID:** 722621

**Title of the thesis:** Cyberattacks: A New Weapon in the Economic Warfare Toolkit? A Study of Russian Cyberattacks on the European Energy Sector in 2022

**Thesis department:** Department of Security Studies (23-KBS)  
**Language of the thesis:** English  
**Language of defence:** English  
**Advisor:** doc. PhDr. Vít Střítecký, M.Phil., Ph.D.  
**Date of defence:** 21.09.2023    **Venue of defence:** Praha  
**Attempt:** regular

**Course of defence:** The committee started the defense by asking the student to reflect on research aims, research strategy, theoretical framework, methodological tools and empirical findings. The student distilled a comprehensive overview of her thesis, both theoretically and empirically, pointing out the conceptual and practical importance of research on cyber attack and economic warfare nexus. The committee summarized critical comments of the reviewers and asked the student to respond accordingly. The student agreed with some limitations of the thesis, while demonstrating the substantial capability to justify her arguments and research claims.

**Result of defence:** excellent (B)

**Chair of the board:** PhDr. JUDr. Tomáš Karásek, Ph.D. (present) .....

**Committee members:** Georgios Glouftsios (present) .....  
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