



## Euroculture Thesis Assessment Form

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Thesis Title: The European Union in Azerbaijan: Democracy Promoter or Energy Dependent?

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In this report, please consider the following, by answering the following questions. Please add a short explanation instead of simply answering yes, no or partly.

### 1) **Content: Problem statement, method and theory:**

a) Is the topic of the thesis clearly presented and motivated?

YES, CLEARLY AND DIRECT

b) Are the aims and objectives of the thesis clearly identified and explained?

YES, THEY ARE IN A SUCCINT WAY.

c) Is there a well formulated problem statement and is it of sufficient complexity for an MA level? Briefly explain.

YES, THE STUDENT FORMULATES A RESEARCH QUESTION THAT IS CLEARLY ANSWERED AND MAINTAINS THE LEVEL OF THE MA IN EURO CULTURE.

d) Has the student convincingly explained the relevance of the research?

YES

e) Has a suitable methodology and theoretical frame been taken to solve the stated problems?

YES, ENERGY POLITICS AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

f) In case where empirical research has been conducted: is there a suitable research design and has the research been conducted adequately?

NOT APPLICABLE

g) Does the conclusion provide convincing answers/proof to the initial questions/hypotheses?

YES, IT DOES, THE CONCLUSIONS ANSWER AND SUMMARISE THE MAIN RESULTS DERIVED FROM THE RESEARCH QUESTION

h) Does the research constitute a contribution to knowledge in this field or domain?

YES, IT DOES

### 2) **Structure:**

a) Is the thesis coherently structured in chapters and sections?

YES, IT IS

- b) Are concepts clearly introduced and explained, and critically and consistently applied?  
YES, THE INTRODCUTION IS CLEAR AND SOLID

3) **Sources** (primary and secondary):

- a) Has (enough) relevant (primary and secondary) literature been adequately interpreted and integrated into the thesis?

YES, IT HAS

- b) Is the bibliography/list of references complete and accurate?

YES, THE STUDENT PRESENTS A COMPLETE LIST WITH CLASSICAL AND UPTODATE REFERENCES.

4) **Stylistics:**

- a) Is the use of language (English) acceptable and of the required standard (i.e. no spelling mistakes and typos, range of vocabulary, grammar)?

YES, NATIVE SPEAKER

- b) Are references in the text given in a coherent and consistent manner (either in-text or as footnotes)?

YES, THE FORMAT IS MAINTAINED THROUGHT THE DISSERTATION

5) **Format:**

- a) How is the thesis presented (i.e. consistency in lay-out, choice of fonts, headings, tables and graphs)?

NICELY PRESENTED

- b) Does the thesis contain all required elements (title page, declaration, table of contents, bibliography, etc.)?

YES, IT DOES

6) **Quality of writing process:**

- a) To what degree has the student been able to work independently?

SHE WORKED INDEPENDENTLY MOSTLY

- b) Have recommended revisions been executed to a satisfying degree?

SHE WAS ALWAYS OPEN TO SUGGESTIONS AND CORRECTIONS

- c) Any other relevant comments (e.g on planning and commitment of the student).

NONE

7) **Possible questions for thesis defence (only if this thesis is to be defended orally)**

NOT APPLICABLE

**(National) Grade:** NOTABLE 7 (ECTS: C)

Date and place: 7 JUNE, 2016, BILBAO

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