

## OPPONENT'S OPINION OF BACHELOR THESIS

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Name of thesis:	Justice and Development Party (AKP) and its influence on Turkey
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**TYPE OF DIPLOMA WORK:** applied

**ASSESSMENT OF THESIS:** (always add verbal comments)

1. COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIRED ASSIGNMENT:

The required assignment of the thesis is not fulfilled.

2. WORK WITH ACADEMIC LITERATURE:

The author works with a significant number of sources of literature however most of them are the online sources (some of them are of a questionable quality). The list of used literature does not respect the common standards (usually, the sources are divided according some criteria e.g. primary vs. secondary sources).

3. CONTENT LEVEL OF WORK:

The main problem of the thesis is the underdeveloped research design. The aim of the thesis is defined as follows: "...is to find influence of Justice and Development Party on the current political situation" (s. 3). Unfortunately, the author does neither define the term "influence" nor specify the areas where such an influence can be observed. In result, the text is divided in various chapters examining various problems (EU membership of Turkey, presidential elections, protests in streets etc.) without any inner logic.

Another problem is the intention of the author to predict the results of the general election. An expert estimate might have been acceptable but it is not acceptable to base her findings on the questionnaire of 118 young Turkish people (such a questionnaire is not representative at all).

What I also see problematic regarding the text is the author's obvious distaste of AKP. Very expressive terms are used repeatedly in this context. These personal views shall not be a part of a scientific text.

The conclusion should be more detailed and sophisticated.

#### 4. FORMAL LAYOUT:

There are major grammar mistakes - a detailed proofreading needs to be done regarding the used language. The language of the text should be more academic. Another problem is the format of references - each citation should refer to a particular page.

#### **SPECIFIC REMARKS AND COMMENTS ABOUT THE THESIS:**

In my opinion, the text needs to be revised significantly. The author should state the research question and focus on one chosen topic (e.g. AKP attitude towards the EU).

**DEFENSE OF THESIS:** not recommended

**FINAL CLASSIFICATION PROPOSAL:** F

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