CZECH UNIVERSITY OF LIFE SCIENCES PRAGUE

Faculty of Economics and Management

Evaluation of the Diploma Thesis by Opponent

Thesis Title **Analysis of the impact of the merger of Vodafone Ltd. and Idea Ltd.**

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Evidence of a logical process being used		■		
The structure of paragraphs and chapters		■		
Formal presentation of the work, the overall impression			■	
Formulation of objectives		■		
Choice of appropriate methods and methodology used			■	
Professional contribution of the work and its practical usage			■	
Work with data and information			■	
Work with scientific literature (quotations, norms)			■	
Clarity and professionalism of expression in the thesis			■	
Summary and key-words comply with the content of thesis			■	
Fulfillment of objectives		■		
Thesis topic and thesis significance (relevance)		■		
Theoretical background of an author			■	
Comprehensibility of the text and level of language			■	
Formulation of conclusions			■	

Evaluation of the work by grade (1, 2, 3, 4) **3**

Evaluation: 1 = the best

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Other comments or suggestions:

The topic is interesting and relevant, performed research is not deep, basic but still sufficient, the selected methodology allows for addressing the stated aims and goals, the presented analysis and discussion meet, but dont exceed, basic requirements. The thesis looks rather as a quasi-final draft expecting final improvements, reinforcement by references to more current academic literature and a more robust methodological approach. The tenor is not truly academic, it looks rather as a general review. There are many typos and corrections needed. At the same time, it must be recognized that the author attempts to follow an empirical approach and to be practical and instructive. It is pity that the goals were not set more clearly and the top recent relevant literature was not presented. I am confident that with that the author would be able to do a very interesting analysis and to present relevant and strongly supported conclusions.

Questions for thesis defence:

1) Do you really believe that more mergers will lead to "more price wars", i.e. why you do not expect a possibly negative impact on competition due to the increased risk of concentration and perhaps even cartel situations?

2) Describe in more detail the impact of the described merger on various types of stakeholders and define who are the winners and loosers.

3) How has the COVID-19 pandemic changed the merger inclination on the Indian market?

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