

Review

of the student's thesis work by **Olga A. Kuzmina** on the topic: “**Trends in development and regulation of foreign trade in Agriculture: the case of Argentina**”

Scale of assessments, scores		Scores			
		High	Medium	Low	Unsatisfactory
excellent (A)	8,5 – 10				
verygood (B)	7 – 8,4				
good (C)	6 – 6,9				
satisfactory (D)	5 – 5,9				
low (E)	4 – 4,9	0,8-1	0,8-0,5	0,5-0,1	0
failed (F)	< 3,9				
1.	Compliance of the thesis theme with the MA programme competences	1,0			
2.	Conception's authenticity, the author's own approach to the problem	0,8			
3.	Clarity of goals and objectives of the study	1,0			
4.	Scientific and practical significance of the study	0,9			
5.	Presence of authentic information collected and processed by the author	0,8			
6.	The author's relevant use of economic analysis methods	0,8			
7.	Theoretical background of the study	0,8			
8.	The scale of use of foreign sources by the author	1,0			
9.	The scale the author uses the studies issued by Economic Faculty of SPSU	1,0			
10.	Degree of compliance with the University requirements for diploma works	1,0			
Total score		9,1			

Remarks and questions

1. Some statistical data is a little bit too old: Annex 2 – Top 15 agricultural exporters and importers represents 2003; Table 2 (page 73) covers the period of 2003 – 2009, etc.
2. Can the experience of Argentina's regulation in agriculture be used in Russian Federation? If so, to which extent?
3. If the December 2008 Package will be implemented, how it would influence the agricultural sector of Argentina?
4. How should Russian Federation build relations in Argentina within the WTO on the agricultural issues? What are common points, in which fields we are competitors?

Diploma thesis of **Olga A. Kuzmin** is broadly in line with the University requirements for studies of this kind, and may be admitted to assessment, preliminary evaluation is excellent (A)

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