

O P I N I O N

By prof. D.Sc. Nina Angelova Dyulgerova,
Member of the scientific jury with Order No 37 of 31.10.2022
of the materials submitted for participation in a competition for occupying the
academic position "Associate Professor" in the field of higher education 9 "Security
and defense professional field 9.1. National Security and Defense
Specialty "Security and Transport"

Vasil Kolev Ph.D. participated as a candidate in the competition for Associate Professor announced in the State Gazette, issue 56/19.07.2022 and on the website of the Higher School of Security and Defense.

1. Brief biographical data.

Vasil Kolev Ph.D. has a master's degree in Law. He defended his doctorate in law in 2018 at Plovdiv University "Paisii Hilendarski". He has held various management positions in the municipal administration of the city. He was also a law assistant from 10 2018 to 10.2020 in Plovdiv University, and is now a legal adviser at the Municipality of Plovdiv.

2. General description of the materials presented:

The candidate Vasil Kolev participated in the competition with:

1. Two monographs, one of which is the published dissertation on the award of the educational and scientific degree of Doctor of Laws.
2. Sixteen articles, of which six are in print

Kolev Ph.D. in his habilitation work "National Security and its Connectivity with Public Transport" and in the presented articles explores the interdependence between national security, different forms of public transport and green energy.

The scientific production submitted shall meet the national minimum requirements for the procedure concerned with a total number of points 5 to 60.

3. Reflection of the candidate's scientific publications in the literature (known citations)

Kolev Ph.D. has presented fifteen citations in publications in the field of national security.

4. General characteristics of the applicant's activities

Kolev Ph.D. has an internship in teaching as a law assistant at the University of Plovdiv.

Kolev's Ph.D. work is precisely oriented towards the goals of the competition. His research is related to the multivector interdependencies between security, public transport and green energy.

4.1. Contributions

In the scientific research of Kolev Ph.D. there are three thematic areas in which he makes his proven scientific contributions:

1. Theoretically, a model has been created in which the specific features of the public transport-security relationship are successfully studied. The problems, opinions and assessments found in the literature regarding the transport scheme and the protection of national security are systematized. Of importance are the studied computer systems related to efficiency and financial costs.
2. In scientific and practical terms, the existing scheme of public transport in the Republic of Bulgaria is analyzed, the shortcomings related to the protection of national security, ecology and sustainable development of settlements are pointed out. The practical proposals made by Kolev Ph.D. have their concrete

results in improving the transport scheme in order to improve the control and security of road transport schemes also important are the proposals for the implementation of different types of transport schemes and for improving the regulatory framework in relation to public transport.

3. The scientific and practical results achieved by Kolev Ph.D. enable a wide audience interested in the interrelationship of public transport-national security to access research addressing these issues on the basis of a broad theoretical basis and practical results.

5. Critical remarks

The scientific production of Vasil Kolev Ph.D. is consistent and methodically oriented towards the study of the complex and dynamically changing issue related to the diverse and dynamically developing interdependencies between public transport-green energy-national security. Each of these areas has its own challenges, outlining a broad horizon for not only their development, but also increasing opportunities for the creation of a sufficiently sustainable system guaranteeing national security. Kolev Ph.D. explores a topic that does not have specific boundaries both theoretically and practically. This is an advantage that minimizes any critical note to the scientific output presented.

The recommendation is to continue because the topic has a future prospect. Probably, the study of the public transport-national security dichotomy should be deepened and expanded in more depth through the prism of the challenges associated with the implementation of green energy.

6. Conclusion

In view of the above, I propose to the members of the esteemed jury to vote Vasil Kolev Ph.D. to be approved for the academic position of "Associate Professor" in the field of higher education 9 "Security and Defense professional field 9.1. National Security and Defense; Specialty "Security and Transport"

13.11.2022

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Sincerely:

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