

Review

by

Prof. Dr. Vasil Georgiev

on

dissertation draft for

acquisition on scientific degree

"doctor of sciences"

by Dr. Miroslav Krakowski on the topic:

"The Impact of Migration on European Identity and Security"

for awarding the scientific degree "Doctor of Science" in the professional field 9.1.
"National Security "

Reason for preparing the review :

Order No. 056 /20.10.2025 by the Rector of the Academy for National
and Information Security

Dear members of the scientific jury,

I present on your attention the review you on the dissertation of candidate Dr. Mirosław Krakowski on the topic: "The Impact of Migration on European Identity and Security", for the award of the scientific degree "Doctor of Sciences" in the professional field 9.1. "National Security" .

1. Total presentation on the procedure and the candidate

By Order No. 065 / 20. 10. 2025 of the Rector of the Academy for National and Information Security, I was appointed as an internal member of the scientific jury of the dissertation work of Dr. Mirosław Krakowski , on topic : "The Impact of Migration on European Identity and Security"for the award of the scientific degree "Doctor of Sciences" in the professional field 9.1. "National Security" , and at the first meeting of the jury, held on 30.10.2025, I was appointed as a reviewer.

Dr. Mirosław Boruta Krakowski graduated in social sciences and sociology, obtaining a master's degree in 1984 and a doctorate in social sciences (sociology) in 1994.

His professional and academic path is connected with the Jagiellonian University in Krakow, where from 1984 to 1999 he worked at the Institute for Polish Studies and the Institute for the Study of Polonia and Ethnic Issues and led classes and the Summer School in Polish Language and Culture for foreign students.

Since 2004, he has been teaching at the Pedagogical University in Krakow, Faculty of Humanities, Institute of Philosophy and Sociology, where he teaches courses in cultural anthropology, history of social thought and sociology (family, politics, small groups, contemporary social problems).

Dr. Krakowski also taught at the Krakow University of Applied Sciences, Faculty of Family Studies (2005–2006).

Throughout his academic career, Dr. Krakowski has combined teaching and research on ethnicity, Polishness, identity, family history and genealogy, including a stay in the United States on a Kosciuszko Foundation scholarship.

2. Compliance on the candidate with the requirements on The Law for Development of the Academic Staff in the Republic Bulgaria /LDRASRB/

The candidate has provided information about a dissertation for the defense of the PhD doctorate, recognized by NACID, on the topic "The Independence of the Eastern Neighbors of the Republic of Poland in Polish Political Thought in Modern

and Recent Times", defended on 21.01.1994 at the Jagiellonian University in Krakow, Republic of Poland, Certificate of Recognition N 77 / 07.11.2024 , ANIS.

A draft of a dissertation for the award of the scientific degree "Doctor of Science" is presented in the procedure by the candidate.

The candidate had presented the required information for complying the minimum requirements for publications and citations listed in the LDASRB Rules of Implementation.

I do hereby present a correspondence table:

Criteria	Indicators	Minimum requirements points by criteria	Points on the candidate by criteria
A	1	50	50
B	3	100	100
G	4-10	1 00	416.07
D	11-13	100	430
	Total	350	996.07

3. Evaluation of the dissertation work

The title of the dissertation presented by Dr. Miroslav Krakowski is "The Impact of Migration on European Identity and Security"

The dissertation's volume is 275 pages, divided into an introduction, five chapters, a conclusion, an annex and a bibliography. An academic abstract is presented, which meets the requirements of the Law on the State of the Republic of Bulgaria.

The dissertation "The Impact of Migration on European Identity and Security" examines migration as a global, deeply historical process that begins with the "exodus of Africa" and shapes humanity as a biologically common but culturally diverse community. In the introduction, the author lays down the theoretical framework - sociology as a science for the search for balance in social systems - and formulates the goal: to connect the universal unity of the human race and the particularism of states, nations and cultural communities, for which mass migrations are experienced as a risk to identity and security.

The first chapter traces "people and their journeys" – from "mitochondrial Eve" and genetic anthropology, through early migration waves and the settlement of

continents, to the formation of diverse populations. The author shows how the biological unity of the species coexists with increasing cultural and civilizational diversity and poses the question of how this tension affects contemporary social and cultural security.

The second chapter, entitled “History – increasingly clear identity and regionalization” – explores the emergence and differentiation of languages, cultures, civilizations, religions, nations and states. By examining the civilizational model of Huntington and other authors, the dissertation shows how local civilizations, religious traditions and national projects shape different models of political and cultural security and how civilizational clashes and cultural conflicts (Balkans, Russia, Turkey, etc.) become sources of instability in the international system.

The third chapter is the core of the study from the security perspective – “Identity and Cultural Security”. The author defines identity at the individual, family, group and national levels and systematizes the concept of “cultural security” as an internal (security of the individual and communities) and external (threats coming from outside) dimension. A concept of the cultural security of the state and its dependence on the sustainability of ethnic, national and religious identities is developed; the links between migration and cultural security, “cultural wars”, cultural conflicts and the typology of threats to political, social and cultural security in the conditions of heterogeneous societies are analyzed.

The fourth chapter – “European futurology - blurring of identity and forced unity” – focuses on European identity, the idea of a “European nation” and the tension between European integration and nation-states. It discusses scenarios of “forced unity”, in which accelerated integration and dogmatic universalism can undermine the cultural security of individual nations and give rise to repulsion, populist reactions and domestic political instability.

The fifth chapter – “Global futurology - the existing world and the beginning of secondary globalization” – examines contemporary migration flows, globalization processes and their impact on security. Migration is presented as a key factor in shaking the social balance in Europe and North America: the mass movement of people culturally different from the host societies creates tensions in social, economic and cultural security, requiring new models of risk management and identity protection. The finale brings out the general thesis of social systems as constantly seeking a balance between universalism (“one human family”) and the protection of specific cultural, national and religious forms of life.

4. Contributions

The dissertation has the following contributions:

1. Scientific

a. Theoretical modeling of the migration – identity – security relationship

The author develops an integrated conceptual framework that connects historical and genetic studies of human migrations with sociological analysis of identity and contemporary concepts of national and cultural security. Thus, migration is thought of not only as a demographic or economic process, but as a structural factor in social equilibrium and in the configuration of threats to the political, social and cultural security of states and supranational communities.

b. Further development and operationalization of the concept of "cultural security of the state"

The dissertation clearly distinguishes cultural security into an internal and external dimension, showing how ethnic, religious, and national identities can simultaneously strengthen and undermine state security. The author clarifies how migration processes, cultural conflicts, and "culture wars" alter the matrix of political and social security, which constitutes a contribution to the theoretical apparatus of security studies, and especially to cultural security research.

2. Scientific and applied contributions

a. Proposing an analytical framework for assessing threats to cultural security in Europe

By systematizing factors such as the scale and direction of migration flows, the degree of cultural proximity/distance, the strength of national and religious identities, and the presence of cultural conflicts, the work offers a toolkit that can be used by state institutions, security services, and think tanks when assessing the risk to the cultural, social, and political security of European countries and the EU as a whole.

b. Formulating policy recommendations in the field of migration and security

Based on the distinction between the biological unity of the human species and cultural diversity, the dissertation argues for the need for migration and integration policies that simultaneously take into account the universal rights and dignity of migrants and protect the cultural security and identity of host societies. This has direct application in the formation of national security strategies, migration and integration policies and European regulations aimed at managing migration crises and limiting the security risks associated with them.

5. Check for plagiarism and unreliability of the presented scientific data

No I have installed and I have not received a signal. for plagiarism or unreliability on the presented scientific data .

6. Personal impressions from the candidate

I don't know personally the candidate, but considering the overall his scientific and professional activity, I believe that the candidate has prospects for further development as a security researcher .

7. Recommendations and notes to the candidate

I recommend that in future research, the author deepen his work in the following areas:

- a. empirical analysis of specific migration flows to Europe and their impact on the cultural security of individual countries and regions;
- b. operationalizing the concept of "cultural security" through the development of indicators and a methodology for assessing risk for national and European security;

8. Motivated proposal

1. I believe that the dissertation contains scientific and applied scientific results that are an original contribution to science. The dissertation illustrates the doctoral student's in-depth theoretical knowledge in the field of security, as well as his abilities for independent scientific research.

2. I express **a positive assessment of** the dissertation work and believe that the candidate Dr. Miroslav Krakowski should be awarded the scientific degree "Doctor of Sciences".

26.11.2025

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Prof. Dr. Vasil Georgiev

Signature: