

## Vacant master thesis

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*Effect of project audit practices on project performance and success: A literature review*

### Motivation

Project or Programme Assurance is an emerging discipline that seeks to provide an independent and objective oversight of major projects' likely future performance for those responsible for sanctioning, financing or insuring such undertakings. The discipline has emerged in response to consistent problems in major projects and the need to provide confidence to project or programme stakeholders of technologically advanced, high-capital or high-risk projects.

Auditing and assessing risk for projects can provide organisations with the opportunity to uncover the issues, concerns and challenges encountered during the execution of a project. This allows all parties involved to have an understanding of what has gone well and what needs to be improved. Project reviews provide an opportunity to learn what elements of a project have been successfully managed and which ones presented some challenges. This will assist organisations in identifying what is needed to ensure mistakes are not repeated in future projects.

The goal of this master's thesis is to present a well-structured overview of the scientific community's results regarding the effect of project audit practices on project performance and success. The student has to conduct a literature review, identify core variables and make sense of past findings. In the context of this thesis, insights from project management research, as well as from the IS literature, might be relevant.

### Application

The topic is only open to master's level students. Interested students can apply for this thesis by submitting an up-to-date transcript of their records and a motivational letter to [sekretariat.sitm@uni-due.de](mailto:sekretariat.sitm@uni-due.de) with "Project Audit Practices" in the subject line until **15.10.2015**.

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