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**Response To Dr. Anna Fenyvesi Evaluation of**  
**Mariia Popova's Doctoral (PhD) Dissertation**

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Dear Dr. Anna Fenyvesi,

Thank you for your thoughtful and encouraging feedback on my dissertation. I am particularly grateful for the constructive feedback you provided during the in-house (mock) defense, which was instrumental in guiding my revisions and improving the overall quality of my work. Restructuring the chapters to follow a more conventional format, addressing discrepancies in formatting, and improving the readability of the text were key steps I undertook to align with your suggestions. I am pleased that these changes have resulted in a more coherent and polished final version.

Regarding the missing "date of access", I based my approach on the Dissertation Formatting Guidelines provided by the Multilingualism Doctoral School, available at the following link <https://mds.htk.uni-pannon.hu/en/dokumentumok-kezelese/english-documents/training-documents-of-phd-students/143-dissertation-guidelines-2/file>, which do not require providing retrieval dates for online references. Considering the discrepancy between the instructions, I followed the university's recommendations to ensure consistency with the prescribed format.

Once again, I greatly value your acknowledgment of the improvements made and your recognition of the dissertation's contribution to science. Thank you for your guidance and support.

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