***NOTE: Access to ORBIS database is here:***

<https://libguides.aalto.fi/c.php?g=410638&p=2798189>

I have made a short video guide about how to use this database to complete the exam task. You will find it in the end of EXAM SECTION.

**EXAM TASK, DEADLINE: 25 January, 2022, 23:55.**

**First part – Summary of companies` basic information in excel file**

Please, fill in excel file “basic\_info” using information about your five companies from excel file “companies\_orbis” (you can also consult ORBIS database) basing on the example given to you in the file “example”. Please, note, you will find all the necessary information on your companies` basic information and financial indicators in the file “companies\_orbis”. Each company line in the file has information about company`s basic characteristics and financial development in recent years.

I.E. TO MAKE THIS PART OF EXAM YOU DO NOT NEED TO CONSULT ORBIS DATABASE; ALL THE INFORMATION IS ALREADY IN THE FILE “COMPANIES\_ORBIS” UPLOADED ON THE COURSE WEBSITE.

**Second part – Report in word file.**

Please, answer the questions below for each company. In general, you need to write five short reports for each company using the instructions below.

While writing the reports, please also refer to company profile (industry, age of the company, etc.) that is represented in ORBIS company-level reports.

Each company report should be maximum one page and, hence, maximum five pages overall. I recommend using 12 font, double/1.5-spaced, Times New Roman.

**Ownership history**

*To make this part, please, explore “Shareholders` history” of a company in the company ORBIS report. Please, also consider information about immediate parent, domestic and global ultimate owners (can be found also in “companies\_orbis” file).*

Have there been significant changes in ownership structure in recent years (from 2014)? If yes, which ones? With respect to offshore financial centers` owners? With respect to state ownership? With respect to foreign (other than offshore financial centers) owners?

Please, suggest the possible explanations of the found ownership changes (if any have been found). Particularly, you are encouraged to discuss changes that you guess likely have happened due to deoffshorization legislation in Russia (started to develop actively in Russia from the year of 2014) and Western sanctions against Russia started in 2014.

**Financial development**

Please, analyze financial and employment indicators of your company (graphs of revenues, assets, profits, and employers as depicted in your “basic\_info” file), suggest and discuss the reasons for the tendencies found.

You are also encouraged to check if your company has been in the sanctions list and use this information in your report (in your explanations of ownership changes and financial/employment developments).