

Comment Form 【FR5】

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Title of the Project	Creation and Sustainable Governance of New Commons through Formation of Integrated Local Environmental Knowledge		
Research Term	FR5	Project Leader	SATO Tetsu
General advice and comments of the EREC: Grappling with conceptually complicated processes of environmental knowledge and the actors involved in these processes, this project was ambitious in the scope of its meta-analysis and contributed a unique angle to the research portfolio at RIHN. The Committee found this an important effort that is highly compatible with the founding mission and approach of RIHN. While persuasive, the empirical basis for the insights the project yielded may need further strengthening. Given the meta-analytical nature of the project, concrete social impacts are perhaps not to be expected, but it is hard to see actual engagement with stakeholders around the research questions and how such local agents were involved in co-creating the project research. Nevertheless, this was a major research effort that engaged with key literatures and research and action communities and produced stimulating findings that are in the process of being published widely.			