

Final Evaluation at the end of FR

Title of the Project	Neolithisation and Modernisation: Landscape History on East Asian Inland Seas
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General advice and comments of PEC <p>This project is compatible with RIHN's founding missions and research and it is impressive that the project raises the question on landscape formation process by focusing on the East Asian inland seas. At the same time, PEC has also observed flaws regarding achievement of the goals and progress of the work indicated in the research plan and process. The phenomena of "inland sea" as well as "neolithisation" might have been further analyzed within overall research framework and communicated with academic circles. For example, even though you have employed an analytical framework of "neolithisation" in parallel with "modernisation" in this project, this key framework has not been successively acquiring smooth communication with readers. The connection between cultural unity and landscape as well as inland seas would have also been rather explored, as the presented findings might not be convincing or conclusive for public. Hence, PEC considers that these seem to be problematic when you publish the project results for the academic community and public.</p>	