Research Project FR4: Mid-term Evaluation Comments

Project Title	Co-creation of Sustainable Regional Innovation for Reducing Risk of High-impact Environmental Pollution
Abbreviated Title	SRIREP
Project Leader	SAKAKIBARA Masayuki
Project Period	5 years Full Research
Affiliated Program	Program 1:Global Environmental Culture Program, Matsuda PD

General advice and comments of the EREC

The EREC Committee was generally very pleased with the good progress of SRIREP project as well as the thorough and clear presentation. This project is notable for its application to combating Hg pollution impacts in multiple locations in Indonesia through a combination of natural science measurements, health monitoring, formation of networks for alternative livelihoods, and stimulating export of alternative eco-positive products. The PL and team have achieved an impressive number of outputs.

For the final year and beyond, the Committee hopes the PL and team: 1) to look for the methods how to scale up the success of the project and how to generalize the outcomes, 2) to make more effort in drawing broader conclusions by referring to huge amount of extant literature on TD, 3) to consider and promote ways to prevent each TDCOP from falling back into prior unconstructive situations, and 4) to address the project objective on improving governance in ASEAN countries.