

Research Project FR: Final Evaluation

EREC Comments

Project Title	Fair for whom? Politics, power and precarity in transformations of tropical forest-agriculture frontiers
Abbreviated Title	FairFrontiers
Project Leader	Grace WONG
Project Period	4 years Full Research
Affiliated Program	Combining Knowledge for a Fundamental Innovation of Land Use Program, SHOBAYASHI PD

General advice and comments of the EREC

The project’s innovative work on “frontiers” is an important contribution to broadening understanding of issues on equity and environmental outcomes in periphery areas. The attention to land use change and plural values, drawing on the IPBES framework are connected to the objectives of RIHN and the land use program.

The project has been exemplary in collaborative teamwork and showing a respectful way of doing science that combines external and local knowledge in a way that benefits local communities. The project has combined analyses on social, political, and ecological aspects. The project has also produced a strong record of publications, including all research partners with recognized authorship.

Synthesizing across these detailed case studies is a challenge, but is important to solidify the lessons. The planned use of qualitative comparative analysis methods is a promising means to do this.