## **Comment Form [Research Project FS]**

## February 26, 2016

Title of the Project	Toward the Regeneration of Tropical Peatland Societies: Building		
	International Research Network on Integrated Peatland Management		
Research Term	FS	Project Leader	FUNAMIZU Naoyuki

## **General advice and comments of the PEC:**

The PEC noted with approval that the proposal had improved considerably since last year. The concept of value chain is central to the proposal, but it was not always completely clear what was meant by it, how value could be created and measured or evaluated along the chain, how stakeholders perceive it and how their perception changes as a result of the project activities.

There was a widely shared sense that the social science side of the proposal, including the composition of the research team, was relatively underdeveloped. The Committee agreed that the proposal had developed to the point where it can be taken into the Full Research phase, but on the condition that a stronger social science presence is developed during the Pre-Research phase.