

Final Evaluation at the end of FR

Title of the Project	A New Cultural and Historical Exploration into Human-Nature Relationships in the Japanese Archipelago
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General advice and comments of PEC: This is a pivotal work with its new perception of cultural and historical exploration of human-nature connection in the Japanese Archipelago with important contributions to understanding of biodiversity in Japan. A unique database has been created with immense data and this seems to be a crucial contribution of this project to research communities both in Japan and abroad. For this reason, PEC hopes that RIHN could maintain and manage this outstanding source and put efforts to translate into English. Comprehensive analysis of human-nature interactions has also been released to society through rich publication. Keeping in mind these contributions, PEC believes that this project deserves the rate of being compatible with RIHN's founding missions and research, accomplished in terms of its research plan and cost-effective agenda and in close connection with society through successful dissemination of its research results.	