

## Evaluation of transition of Initiative-based FS to FR

<b>Title of the Project</b>	<b>Human-Environmental Security in the Asia-Pacific Ring of Fire: Water-Energy-Food Nexus</b>
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<b>General advice and comments of PEC:</b> <p>The scope of the project proposal seems to be quite ambitious. This is one of the realistic as well as prospective projects that meet all necessary elements of an integrated initiative-based project. The proposal shows a clear-cut hypothesis with relevant research questions. However, PEC is still concerned about the proposed strategy on how to integrate various stakeholders and relevant case studies during implementation. There are many researches and publications previously produced on food security, water security and energy issues and the project should review this literature and make its framework more constructive, including its title, in terms of both conceptual and methodological aspects. Also, social sciences and policy-making approaches should be included more systematically in order to realize the feasibility objectives of the project proposal. Although there are still several points that need to be revised, this project is expected to proceed to a full research implementation stage and contribute to RIHN's mission on transdisciplinary research.</p>	