

Penultimate year FR Evaluation

Title of the Project	A Study of Human Subsistence Ecosystems in Arab Societies: To Combat Livelihood Degradation for the Post-oil Era
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General advice and comments of PEC: <p>The project has been successfully implemented so far and interaction with local community is noteworthy. Nevertheless, each research group seems to be working as independent projects and the final year should be devoted to coordinated integration of the research results of each group. So far, there has been good interaction with academic and public audience through multi-lingual publications, exhibitions and other events. Final year would be utilized to provide local authorities and other policy makers not only in Arab societies but also in other non-Arab societies with scientific advice and background for solution-oriented decision making. Synthesizing the field experiences and implementation methodology of this project will be a very crucial contribution for RIHN's future projects. PEC did not find any concrete research result on the issues of post-oil societies albeit the title claims. Hence, PEC would like to suggest a revision to the project title on the parts "Arab Societies" and "Post-oil Era".</p>	