## Report for Institutional Program for Younger Researcher Overseas Visits, 2011 Center for Southeast Asian Studies Kyoto University

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Position in CSEAS: Postdoctoral					
* Check an appropriate entry (Lecturer · Assistant Professor · Research Assistant Postdoctoral · Ph. D. Student · Master's Student ·					
Undergraduate Student )					
Host Institute (Counterpart, Institute and Country) :					
Prof. Gerard Pesoon, Faculty of Social and Behavioural Science, Leiden University, The Netherlands					
*Circle the appropriate entry for host institute University Research Institute · Company · Others )  Term: (Day/9 Month/7 Year/2011) ~ (Day/6 Month/9 Year/2011) ) ( 60 Days)					
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Research Purpose: * Check any appropriate entries.					
① Research/Laboratory Work ② Fieldwork ③ Seminar ④ Internship ⑤ Take course or class ⑥ Attend Academic Meeting					
① Earn credits (® Other)					
Research Area: * Circle the appropriate entry.					
① Humanities ② Social Sciences ③ Mathematics and Physics ④ Chemistry ⑤ Engineering ⑥ Biology ⑦ Agriculture					
8 Medical Science, Pharmacy and Dentistry 9 Integral Area of Studie 10 New Multidiscipline					
Outline of Overseas Visits (About 300~400 words)					

Currently my research is focused on three topics namely: Javanese internal migration, natural resource management by migrant community, and global commodity development related with migrant movement. My research location mainly focused on Sumatra island as the destination for the migrants to settle and also to some extent Java Island, where the migrant communities originally came from. During the travel to the Netherlands this time, I use mainly to expand academic networks with researchers who are interested in the topics that are close to my studies. I also use this opportunity to gather references and learn from research experiences on the related subjects owned by researchers in this country.

In the beginning of my stay in the Netherlands, I spent a couple of weeks in Utrecht to visit Utrecht University. During that period of time, I established networks among a number of researchers and postgraduate students who study the subject research related to my research, which is the oil palm development related with the environment and forest issues. Currently the Faculty of Geosciences, Utrecht University is running a research project on oil palm plantation development in Indonesia, especially in Riau, Sumatra and West Kalimantan.

The remaining time during this trip were spent in Leiden, to visit the Faculty of Social and Behavioural Sciences, Leiden University and at the same time spending some time at the Royal Netherlands Institute of Southeast Asian and Caribbean Studies (KITLV) to collect some references and research materials. During this trip I was also trying to finish writing draft of manuscripts for the 4<sup>th</sup> GCOE book planned to be publish around the end of this academic year.

## Research Achievement on this Program (300~400 Words)

From the visit to the Faculty of Geosciences Utrecht University, the project they are entitled research program I learned about climate change policies in Asian countries from their project: Agriculture Beyond Foods (ABF). The project trying to look at the consequences of policies related to climate change being implemented in Asian countries. It examines that the policies implemented as part of the efforts to conserve forests, such as through the forest-land allocation program, may lead to an increased forest cover, but may also lead to more conflicts and illegal activities. Some energy generation project such as hydropower projects in the name of climate change mitigation does not always in favor for famers or local community as the land land for the project was taken from farmer/local community. The high demand for biofuels resulting from targets may lead to large-scale agricultural expansion. In Indonesia, the establishment of plantations has displaced local-people, these people are subsequently forced to open up new fields inside forested areas, leading to the increased carbon emissions.

While in Leiden I managed to find an interesting reading from the University Library. A documentation of research from a project funded by the Riau provincial government created in 1967 by a group of social researchers. The study learned about the social impact of the transmigration program in Riau Province. The study concluded that the transmigration program in the Riau province has led to a number of social changes in Riau society.

The effort to finish a manuscript on the management policy of forest resources in Indonesia during the visit in the Netherlands has also provided useful results. References that I found in university libraries of Leiden University and KITLV has allowed me to finish the first draft of the manuscript.