

# Review of: "Political Economy and Ecology of International Regional Development: Indonesia Urban and Rural Development Loans from the Asian Development Bank (ADB)"

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Dear Authors

Many thanks for this contribution. I found this contribution very interesting and relevant to Indonesia and other countries. In my opinion, this research highlights key issues in development and its barriers.

The theoretical development of this research is robust, and it's in line with the recent claims about global equity and the deconstruction of the current role of international cooperation and aid for development.

In synthesis, the manuscript is good. However, I identified some aspects to improve:

1. In the introduction, conceptualizing the economic theories in discussion is important. It's necessary for the conceptual development of these theories and a better comprehension of these results.
2. In the methodology section, It is necessary more details of the fractional polynomial regression and charting with the assistance of STATA. How was developing this? It's necessary more details about these statistical processes.
3. In the same way, the data used needs more details. What was the specific data included in this assessment?
4. Finally, It's important to highlight the limitations or caveats of your methods. What recommendations are for future research into these issues? Have you detected some limitations of these results? Is it possible to make recommendations in terms of global political economics? This last aspect would enrich your contribution.

In my opinion, this contribution is accepted with minor changes.

Congratulations.

Looking forward to the next steps.

Best regards

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