

Peer Review

Review of: "A Review of Transformation and Digital Literacy for the Sustainable Development in the Greater Mekong Subregion – Working Paper"

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This working paper addresses a timely and relevant topic, offering valuable insight into the intersection of transformation, digital literacy, and sustainable development within the Greater Mekong Subregion (GMS). The abstract successfully outlines the paper's central themes, objectives, and potential contributions, presenting a promising overview of what readers might expect.

However, the content of the paper does not yet fully deliver on the promise of the abstract. While the themes of transformation and digital literacy are introduced and explained, the discussion lacks sufficient depth, particularly in relation to sustainable development and the specific socio-environmental context of the Mekong River region. The limited integration of regional detail weakens the paper's contextual relevance.

Furthermore, the absence of supporting references and concrete data, especially in the conclusion, diminishes the credibility of the claims made. Assertions should be substantiated with current research or empirical evidence, and conclusions should be clearly grounded in the analysis presented.

To enhance the paper's impact, the inclusion of actionable policy recommendations tailored to stakeholders in the GMS would be highly beneficial. These would help translate theoretical insights into practical guidance. Additionally, aligning the paper's structure more clearly with the expectations of a formal review—perhaps through a more systematic literature review process and clearer thematic organization—would strengthen its academic contribution.

In summary, the paper has a strong conceptual foundation and addresses a critical topic. With deeper analysis, stronger evidence, and clearer alignment between the abstract and content, it has the potential

to become a valuable contribution to the field.

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