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Project Number: 16601519

Project Title: Physical Capital Measures for China (1952 - 2017)

PI Name: Prof Holz Carsten A.

Overall Comments:

Reviewers consider this a good, solid project but not an original one. It is unclear if the results will significantly change the data on the economic development in China between 1952- 2017.

Strengths:

Weaknesses:

The majority of reviewers is strongly in favour of this proposal and identifies the overall strengths. The PI is nevertheless encouraged to also consider the few critical comments that challenge the innovativeness and thus impact of the work. One element of the analysis should thus refer to possible discrepancies between traditional and the proposed measures, with evidence about the superiority of the proposed approach. In terms of paradigm, therefore, the PI would be encouraged to adopt a design science approach to the creation of the measurement system.

Potential Research Impact Comment:

If successful, the project can provide better insights into China's past and future growth, while also extending our theoretical understanding of how economic output should and can be measured.

Additional Comment:

The project seems to be designed mainly to train a postgraduate student. This is not the main mission of this RGC funding program.

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