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### 報告要旨(Abstract)

Farmer cooperatives are perceived as one way to resolve the conflict between "small-scale production" and the "big market". The number of farmer cooperatives in China increased extraordinarily after the implementation of the "Law of the People's Republic of China on Specialized Farmer Cooperatives" in 2007. Based on our field survey in Zhenjiang Province, this study attempts 1) to understand the operation status of farmer cooperatives after establishment and find out 2) how farmer cooperatives seek a possible diversified path of development whilst regarding the farmer cooperative as the basis.

We find out that core member of farmer cooperatives holding great power over other members, cooperatives lack of profit distribution mechanism appeared after the establishment of cooperatives. In order to achieve more benefits, cooperatives attempt to carry out diversified business models that can happen in three ways: 1. Cooperatives conduct agritourism and gradually transform into agricultural tourism-oriented companies, 2. Core members set up a new agricultural company operating the cooperative and the company at the same time, 3. Core members continue setting up, or changing the nature of, business entities to adapt to the preferential policies issued by the government.

# **質疑・応答(**Q & A)

#### Question #1

## Manalo U Nichlos :

Thank you Karai san for your presentation, I just want to ask for some clarification because I am not familiar with the cooperative law, In your conclusion in the last paragraph you mention about in term of diversifying the business model is up to the core member right?? Core member. Like for example in your slide number eight please..! The director of cooperative A establishes that agriculture development company and been material company right? In the case of Philippine or other countries with a special farmer groups, cooperative has a general assembly, is the general assembly who decide what business will the cooperative will do. So in your case, in this type of model, the core members can decide on their own?

## Karai:

In the case of my research, actually the person who has decision power is just member one (the director). One of the problem in research area, there is no democratic power and profit sharing, the cooperative will just share a technology and give discount for agricultural material to the members.