



Evaluating the Validity and Reliability of the Persian Version of the Cyber-Relationship Motives Questionnaire

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1. Round 1

1.1. Reviewer 1

Reviewer:

In the paragraph beginning "Rubin et al. (1988) posit that individuals engage in communication...", the transition between offline and online motivations feels abrupt. Consider adding a bridging sentence explaining how offline motives translate or differ in online contexts.

In "Cyber-Relationship Motivations are the terms used to describe the factors that drive individuals to seek out new relationships via the internet. (Wang & Chang, 2010)", remove the period before the citation to comply with APA style.

In "AGFI value was 0.86 and the GFI value was 0.89...", discuss explicitly that while these are close to the cutoff of 0.90, they are slightly below, and address whether this is acceptable per your chosen criteria.

In "values greater than 0.45 indicated adequate and satisfactory reliability (Taber, 2018)", 0.45 is low by conventional standards. Justify this threshold in the context of exploratory research or scales with few items.

The statement "This uniformity in the environment and communication features of online platforms likely contributes to the similar factor structures..." would be strengthened by citing at least one cross-national psychometric study supporting this claim.

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1.2. Reviewer 2

Reviewer:

The paragraph starting "Several studies have shown that online relationships have become the most popular activity on the Internet...", while identifying the lack of comprehensive scales, should explicitly explain why existing scales (e.g., SUMS, MSMU) are insufficient for Iranian contexts.

In "Fit indices were suggested to have the following cutoff values..." you cite Hooper et al. (2008). Since some indices (e.g., PNFI) are less commonly reported, justify why these specific indices were chosen over alternatives like SRMR.

In "Due to the difference in the scores of women and men in the romance dimension...", consider reporting effect sizes (e.g., Cohen's d) alongside p-values for a fuller interpretation.

The sentence "According to the findings, this scale demonstrates strong internal consistency and exhibits a significant and consistent relationship between its items and components" largely repeats the results. Consider focusing on interpretation rather than re-stating.

In "Since the study was conducted in Iran, cultural background may be a contributing factor...", provide concrete cultural explanations (e.g., norms about dating, gender segregation) and relate them to observed subscale differences.

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2. Revised

Editor's decision after revisions: Accepted.

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