



Call for Papers:

Theme Bundle on “Intranational Variation in Personality”

We are inviting papers for a Theme Bundle on intranational variation in personality in the journal *Personality Science*.

Scope and Foci

A dynamic and fast-growing literature is accumulating evidence for intranational (i.e., within-country) geographic variation in diverse aspects of personality. Previous studies have demonstrated meaningful intranational variations in personality for various countries that were related to a host of important macro- and micro-level outcomes.

For this Theme Bundle, we seek to bring together a broad array of researchers, samples, and methodologies to expand the growing field of intranational personality differences. To that end, we welcome empirical, conceptual/theoretical, and methodological papers that address focal research questions on intranational personality differences, including but not limited to the following topics:

- (1) *Revealing previously hidden intranational personality differences.* Such work may include approaches that explore intranational geographic variation in personality for previously unstudied/understudied (a) aspects of personality, (b) countries (e.g., non-English speaking, non-Western, developing countries), and/or (c) geographical levels (e.g., by zooming in on neighbourhoods or specific places).
- (2) *Antecedents of intranational personality differences.* Such work may draw from a multitude of micro- and macro-level approaches to shed light on the diverse antecedents and causes of intranational geographic variation in personality. Submissions may include (but are not limited to) socio-historical, ecological, genetic, and evolutionary origins of intranational differences in personality.
- (3) *Consequences of intranational personality differences.* Such work may investigate the impact of intranational geographic variation in personality both on the micro- or the macro-level. On the micro-level, submissions may, for example, examine how intranational personality differences shape the well-being, cognitions, emotions, motivations, and behaviours of an area’s residents. On the macro-level, submissions may focus on how intranational personality differences relate to political, economic, social, and/or health outcomes of whole areas.
- (4) *Methodological advances.* Such work may present novel ways of measuring intranational geographic variation in personality or highlight new ways of collecting and analysing large-scale geo-psychological data. Submissions may also provide applied solutions to specific analytical issues in the spatial analysis of personality data.

Celebrating Diversity

In keeping with the general mission and vision of *Personality Science*, we explicitly adopt a broad, synthetic, and integrative understanding of personality, including but not limited to neurobiological structures, body characteristics, temperament, lexical traits, intelligence, abilities, aptitudes, motives, needs, goals, interests, regulation, values, attitudes, virtues, well-being, personal environments and relationships, self-variables, and identities. Moreover, we especially encourage submissions from traditionally underrepresented non-Western countries, both in terms of authors and studied samples.

Proposals and Timeline

If you are interested in taking part in this Theme Bundle, please send a proposal (including title, prospective author(s) and affiliation(s), description of your planned contribution with a maximum of 500 words) to Friedrich Götz (fmg33@cam.ac.uk) and Tobias Ebert (tobias.ebert@uni-mannheim.de) no later than **February 28, 2021**. In evaluating proposals, we will place a special emphasis on theoretical clarity, methodological rigor, cultural diversity, broad relevance, open science practices, and topical fit.

All proposals will be internally reviewed, and invitations for full articles will be sent out by **March 15, 2021**, with articles due for submission by **August 15, 2021**. It is hoped that final decisions on all articles will be made by **December 2021** with formal publication of the complete article collection shortly after in early 2022.

Article Types, Author Guidelines, and Open Science Standards

Personality Science is a new online-only, diamond open-access journal, published by the European Association of Personality Psychology (EAPP) and the Leibniz Institute for Psychology (ZPID). The journal celebrates diversity, promotes rigorous Open Science practices, and seeks to provide a home for personality researchers from all disciplines, cultural backgrounds, and career stages.

For more information about *Personality Science*, including detailed information on article types and submission guidelines, please visit the [Personality Science website](#) or read [the inaugural editorial](#). All paper formats offered by *Personality Science* are eligible for inclusion in the current Special Issue. In line with *Personality Science's* general mission and vision, authors are encouraged to pre-register their studies and share their materials, analysis code, and data to the greatest extent possible.

Please feel free to circulate this call within your own professional networks. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

We hope you share our enthusiasm for this topic and look forward to receiving your submissions.

With best wishes,

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