



Editorial



Introduction to the Special Issue: Measures in Personal Relationships

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I have proudly completed my first year as editor-in-chief of Interpersona. It is a huge honor to be in charge of a journal that spreads scientific knowledge on interpersonal relationships worldwide. Reading the submitted articles is very interesting and allows insights into the psychological science of some of the most remote places in the world. I am very grateful that, from this issue onwards, Sylvia Coutinho do Nascimento and Giovanna Moreira de Vasconcelos will support us as editorial assistants.

The year 2022 starts with the special issue *Measures in Personal Relationships*, which emerged naturally, rather than from a call for articles. Many authors submitted excellent articles on the subject, so I decided to group them in a special issue. In addition to studying romantic relationships, I also have a psychometric training. This special issue is also a tribute to my doctoral advisor, Luiz Pasquali, a pioneer of psychometrics in Brazil.

All sciences that have used numbers instead of words to describe their objects of study had a faster evolution. Measurements in science started with physical phenomena, which are the easiest to measure accurately. Psychological research started more than a century ago with the measurement of intelligence, because it is a psychological trait that can be measured more objectively. But current science allows the measurement of increasingly subjective attributes. Perhaps the last frontier in the direction of a technical study of our most intimate characteristics is the measurement of interpersonal relationships. Good measurements are the basis for building scientific knowledge. This special issue offers to our readers this great boldness of psychological science.

I wish you all an excellent read,

Vicente Cassepp-Borges, Editor-in-Chief of Interpersona

