Author’s response to reviews

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We appreciate the time and efforts by the editor and referees in reviewing this manuscript. We have addressed all issues indicated in the review report, and hope that the revised version meets the journal publication requirements.

Response to Comments from the Editor:

Comment 1: While assessing your manuscript in-house, we noticed that your Abstract contains some overlap with a previously published source. While we understand that you may wish to express some of the same ideas contained in these publications, please be aware that we cannot condone the use of text from previously published work, even if it is your own. We would therefore be grateful if you could reformulate the Background and Methods sections of your Abstract to resolve the overlap between your manuscript and other sources. Please ensure that, where relevant, these sources are also referenced as appropriate:


Response to comment 1: Dear Editor, thank you for your comment. The reference is of a conference presentation in which preliminary, unadjusted results were presented. We have reformulated the Background and Methods sections of our abstract to resolve the overlap between our manuscript and this reference.
Comment 2: We notice that author Frans Tan was mentioned in the Authors' contributions section. Please ensure all authors are included in this section, along with their individual contributions.
Response to comment 2: All authors are mentioned in the Authors’ contribution section.

Comment 3: Please remove the response to reviewers from the file inventory, as it is no longer needed at this stage of the editorial process.
Response to comment 3: All responses to reviewers have now been removed from the file inventory.

Response to Comments from Reviewer 1: Thomas Zimmermann

Comment 1: Dear authors, thank you for your answer and again doing the necessary final revision. Your work has now been properly prepared for publication. In the analyses section I'd like to see a source for the used multilevel linear regression. If it is no. 18 in the reference list it should be mentioned earlier for example p8, line 12..
Response to comment 1: The reference has now been added to page 8, line 12.

Comment 2: p9, line 26: there is an unnecessary dot following "SPSS"
Response to comment 2: This is now adjusted.

Comment 3: p15, line 33: the paragraph "strenghts and limitations" could get its own headline to better structure the discussion.
Response to comment 3: Thank you for your suggestion. The headline “strengths and limitations” has now been added to the discussion

Comment 4: p15, line 41: the sentence beginning with "Contrary" appears twice, once in normal mode, once in correction mode.
Response to comment 4: This sentence in correction mode has been removed.

Comment 5: p18, line 26: the title of the person to be thanked should have a capital letter.
Response to comment 5: This is adjusted.