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The manuscript is clear, well-detailed. It may attract the attention of Italian readers, or the ones who deal with the adaptation process. There are a few points that should be re-considered. This is an adaptation study. The authors conducted an EFA but they should also conduct a CFA (confirmatory factor analysis). If they did it, they should include the results in the manuscript. If not, they should mention it in the limitations section, and explain the reasons. Adaptation is entirely different from translation. The authors' claim is they adapted the scale, but they expressed the process as translation in the manuscript. An English editing is strongly recommended.

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