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## **Self-Construal As a Cultural Mindset and Its Relevance For Automatic Social Behavior**

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## **28. Impression Management Practices of Stigma-Conscious Communities: The Case of an Online Pro-Smoking Forum**

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We integrate literatures from consumption communities, stigmatization, and tobacco control to understand how smokers engage in impression-management practices to counteract stigma. Results of a netnography unearth impression-management practices (namely, enabling, compromising, and curing) inherent within an online pro-smoking community. We propose implications for theory and practice.

## **29. Putting Myself in your Shoes: The Role of Identification in Persuasion**

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While source characteristics contribute to persuasion in informational messages, identification with characters is more influential in a narrative context. The results of two studies indicate that level of identification with an author has a positive impact on attitude toward the focal subject in the narrative context.

## **30. Self-Construal as a Cultural Mindset and its Relevance for Automatic Social Behavior**

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## **31. Self-Construal Moderates the Effect of Fear of Failure on Donation Likelihood**

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This research shows that self-construal moderates the effect of fear of failure on donation likelihood. An independent self-construal decreases and an interdependent self-construal increases donation likelihood. The effects are expected to be mediated by the perceived distance from others, via perceived uncertainty and loss of control.

## **32. Dynamic Co-Creation: Moving Beyond Foucault to Understand the Ideological Field of Parenting**

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Data from eight depth interviews reveal a dynamic formation process of parental ideology, contrasting sharply with previous mechanistic conceptualizations. The hegemonic discourse of therapeutic culture commodifies familial relations and parental know-how, bringing the parent-child relationship into the market. Both endorsements of, and resistance to, the discourse grant it legitimacy.