



## PREFACE

In this special issue, I collaborated as a guest co-editor and co-author in three articles with Dr. Fons J. R. Van de Vijver. However, Dr. Fons Van de Vijver unexpectedly passed away on the 1<sup>st</sup> of June 2019. He was a highly regarded colleague and excellent academic. In 2013, he was awarded the International Award of the American Psychological Association (APA) for his contributions to international cooperation and advances in knowledge in psychology. In 2014, he was awarded a grant from the International Association of Applied Psychology (IAAP) for his contributions to applied psychology. He served as editor of the *Journal of Cross-Cultural Psychology* and president of Division 2 (valuation and evaluation) of the IAAP. He was also president of the European Association of Psychological Assessment (EAPA) and the International Association for Cross-Cultural Psychology (IACCP). This special issue includes articles with an emphasis on the role of culture and its impact on beliefs, conceptions and measurements of psychological processes and constructs. This is precisely why this special issue is dedicated to Dr. Van de Vijver.

The article presented by Swidrak and her colleagues explore the role of the Polish acculturation process in Norway in terms of levels of life satisfaction and attachment to culture. The article presented by He and Van de Vijver engages in the idea that response biases are a style of communication mediated by culture. These researchers develop a scale which represents a promising contribution to how we measure the clarification of biases and response styles. The article by Tavitian and her colleagues present two experimental studies that observe the emergence of ethnic identity in threatening situations. The study by García Cadena and his collaborators explore psychological beliefs and their relationship to Judeo-Christian ideology. The study conducted by Dutra-Thomé and Koller addresses the role of socio-economic categorization in the characterization of emerging adulthood. Breña and their collaborators explore attachment styles and their relationship with conflict resolution and marital satisfaction in samples from four different countries. The article by Fülöp and her colleagues present an interesting analysis of two generations of Hungarians regarding their self-concepts. The study of Domínguez Espinosa and her collaborators offer a psychometric approach to providing evidence on the conceptualisation and use of management strategies in Mexico. The article presented by Gutiérrez-Tapia and her collaborators present three models of prediction of the academic performance of high school students in Mexico, considering factors such as personality and self-efficacy. Finally, the article from Celenk, van de Vijver & Alonso highlights the role of ethnicity in destructive conflict resolution and couple satisfaction among Dutch people and immigrant groups in the Netherlands.

We thank all the authors for sharing their knowledge in this special issue, spreading advances in psychometrics, cultural and cross-cultural psychology, which helps contribute to a greater knowledge of the human psyche and psychological theories.

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