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Introduction:

Nowadays, many organizations are undergoing a significant shift towards digitalization and restructuring their business models accordingly. The driving force behind this trend is the belief that... digitizing processes can lead to better overall performance and create a competitive edge. Achieving these goals is crucial for organizations to survive and grow in today's global economy.

The process of digitalization brings various benefits, whether it's for personal, home, or workplace use. However, it can also introduce new challenges within a company and potentially alter the behavior of its employees. Resistance to change is inevitable in this context.

There has been a lack of research exploring the effects of workplace digitalization on employee performance. This study aims to shed light on this subject and uncover some previously unknown aspects. While other research has measured different aspects of this model, this will be the first study to examine the impact of digitalization on employee performance and work engagement, as well as the influence of workplace flexibility on this model.

This study presents a unique method of demonstrating the correlation between Digitalization and employees performance. It involves using various questionnaires and analyses, which are accurately measured through the SPSS software. The results are obtained from multiple assessments. In order to assess how various components influence one another.

In this study, we aim to address a crucial inquiry: Can digitalization enhance a company's and its employees' performance? Furthermore, are there any potential drawbacks to this approach?

The aim of this study is to investigate and combine the connections between Digitalization and employee Performance, as well as the impact of engagement and workplace flexibility on the impact of digitalization on performance. The objective part of this research is to thoroughly analyze and elucidate the various facets of digitalization, work engagement, flexibility, and employee performance through an extensive literature review. Furthermore, the analysis will establish a connection between the mediation and moderation factors (engagement and workplace flexibility) and their influence on each other, which ultimately impacts the dependent and independent variables (workplace digitalization and employee performance). By using the survey based on a quantitative method and for analyzing the data collected from our questionnaire, model 8 Mediation, Moderation, and Conditional Process Analysis (A Regression-Based Approach)- PROCESS for SPSS by Andrew F. Hayes 2013 is used.

To obtain a comprehensive understanding of the correlation between workplace performance and digitalization, a methodical approach was utilized. The study involved a quantitative survey, which was conducted online across five distinct segments. These segments provided valuable information on the demographics of the respondents, workplace digitalization, work engagement, workplace flexibility, and employee performance.

The questionnaire received responses from 211 participants. To analyze the collected data, we utilized Model 8 Mediation, Moderation, and Conditional Process Analysis (A Regression-Based Approach) - PROCESS for SPSS by Andrew F. Hayes in 2013. The results section carefully analyzes the data step by step.

1) Theoretical framework:

1.1 workplace Digitalization:

Efficient operations are crucial for companies in today's digital age. Digitalization enables them to evaluate their performance, monitor processes, and improve accuracy. This versatile system can be implemented across various segments and locations to streamline operations.

- Digital Economy: Connectivity, Human Capital, Use of Internet, ICT Integration, Digital Public Services and...
- Society (citizen): Smart Infrastructure, Internet Users, Growth of the Internet, Digital Technology, and...
- Industry: Interaction between firms, customers and suppliers, Internal/External Business Processes, and...
- Enterprise: Social Media Performance, Customer Engagement, Digital Revenues/Sales and Assets, and...
- Client (buyer /seller): Online Solution Usage, Digital Self-Service Ratio, Application World Performance, and...

Workplace digitalization refers to the process of leveraging digital technologies and tools to transform and enhance various aspects of work within an organization. It involves the integration of digital solutions, such as software applications, automation systems, data analytics, and communication platforms, to streamline workflows, improve efficiency, and drive innovation in the workplace.

Through workplace digitalization, organizations aim to digitize and optimize work processes, enhance collaboration and communication, enable remote work capabilities, and leverage data-driven insights for decision-making. It entails the digitization of information and documents, the automation of

repetitive tasks, the implementation of cloud-based systems, and the utilization of digital communication and collaboration tools.

The objective of workplace digitalization is to improve productivity or performance, reduce operational costs, accelerate decision-making processes, and foster agility and adaptability in response to changing business requirements. It enables employees to work more efficiently, access information and resources easily, and collaborate seamlessly across different locations and time zones.

The transformation of the workplace through digitalization is truly remarkable. It encompasses more than just the implementation of digital tools and requires a holistic approach that involves organizational change management, skill development, and alignment of digital initiatives with strategic objectives. It presents a wonderful opportunity for companies to embrace a digital mindset and foster a culture that embraces innovation and technological advancements. This creates a promising and exciting prospect of a flexible work environment for employees.

There are various instances where a positive aspect may also have a negative aspect associated with it; the accelerating forces of digitalization have raised a number of issues related to human resources and human resources management. On the one hand, digitalization might allow for more efficient execution of work and for faster decision-making with reduced risk (cf. Gewald and Dibbern, 2005; Turban et al., 2008). On the other hand, it means that jobs, especially of a clerical nature, are disappearing (cf. Alam and Rizvi, 2012). Research has indicated that changes, especially rapid changes like the acceleration of digitalization (Kagermann, 2015), have profound effects on workers' well-being .in turn, it affects workers' productivity and commitment and loyalty to the organization (cf. Bushra, Ahmad and Naveed, 2011).

1.2 Work engagement:

Work engagement, as commonly defined in organizational psychology and management research, refers to a positive, fulfilling, and energized state of mind that individuals experience when they are fully immersed and invested in their work. It is characterized by high levels of enthusiasm, dedication, and absorption in one's job tasks and responsibilities.

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Work engagement is defined as a positive, affective-motivational state of work-related well-being characterized by **vigor**, **dedication** and **absorption**. Since its introduction in 1990 (Bakker, 2017)`

- 1. **Vigor:** It reflects high levels of energy, enthusiasm, and resilience in carrying out work tasks. Engaged individuals are proactive, motivated and demonstrate persistence in their efforts.
- 2. **Dedication:** It refers to a strong sense of dedication, commitment, and identification with one's work. Engaged employees feel a deep attachment to their job, experience a sense of significance, and are willing to invest their time and effort in achieving organizational goals.
- 3. Absorption: It represents a state of total immersion and concentration in one's work. Engaged individuals are fully absorbed and engrossed in their tasks, often losing track of time and experiencing a sense of "flow" where their skills and challenges are in balance.

Work engagement is crucial for both employees and organizations as it has been linked to various positive outcomes. Engaged employees are more likely to experience higher job satisfaction, perform at higher levels, exhibit greater creativity and innovation, and have lower rates of absenteeism and turnover. At the organizational level, work engagement is associated with increased productivity, improved customer satisfaction, and overall organizational success.

work engagement has been an inspiration for researchers and practitioners around the world (e.g., Shimazu et al., 2008; Seppälä et al., 2009; Balducci et al., 2010; Nerstad et al., 2010; Fong and Ng, 2012; Littman-Ovadia and Balducci, 2013; Panthee et al., 2014; Zecca et al., 2015; Lovakov et al., 2017). Moreover, it has been regarded as a "societal challenge" (Schaufeli and DeWitte, 2017, p. 58) with far reaching effects on the economy. It is widely accepted that, in order to be competitive, contemporary organizations need engaged employees (Bakker, 2017).

As suggested by Schaufeli (2017), based on analyzing the 6th European Working Conditions Survey data from 35 countries, It's important to examine work engagement not only on an individual level, but also on a national level. Comparing countries with different levels of engagement, Schaufeli demonstrated that work engagement was positively related to national economic activity and productivity.

In another words, Work engagement is defined as a positive, fulfilling, affective, motivational state of work-related wellbeing (Bakker et al.2008). It is characterized by vigor – higher levels of energy, mental resilience, and investment of effort; dedication – involvement in work and the sense of meaningfulness and enthusiasm, and absorption – full concentration and engrossment in work (Schaufeli et al., 2002, 2006; Bakker, 2017). In a nutshell, work engagement is about giving "hands, head, and heart" at work (Ashforth and Humphrey, 1995, p. 110). In this research work, engagement is a mediator.

1.3 Workplace flexibility:

Workplace flexibility refers to an employee's capacity to adapt and acquire a diverse set of skills and competencies, allowing them to effectively meet the evolving demands and requirements of their job roles and the broader organizational context. Flexibility is the ability of a firm to respond to various demands from its dynamic competitive environment (Sanchez, 1995). Scholars have suggested that human resource (HR) flexibility in particular is a valuable firm capability (MacDuffie, 1995; Milliman, Von Glinow, & Nathan, 1991; Wright & Boswell, 2002; Wright & Snell, 1998), and this is especially true in the current business environment, characterized as it is by rapid economic changes and shifting strategic demands (Hitt, Keats, & DeMarie, 1998). Although researchers have shown that flexibility in other functional areas of the firm, such as operational flexibility, product customization, and resource flexibility is related to increased firm performance (Garud & Kotha, 1994; MacDuffie, 1995; Parthasarthy & Sethi, 1993; Rangan, 1998; Thomke, 1998), HR flexibility and its possible contribution to firm performance and competitive advantage has not been examined empirically.

The concept of skill flexibility includes various dimensions including:

- 1. **Skill Adaptability**: The capacity of employees to adjust and modify their existing skills in response to new tasks, technologies, or job requirements. This includes the ability to transfer skills from one context to another and to learn and apply new skills as needed.
- 2. **Skill Acquisition:** The process of actively seeking and developing new skills that are relevant and aligned with evolving job demands. This may involve formal training programs, self-directed learning, mentoring, or other developmental opportunities.
- 3. **Skill Application**: The capability to effectively apply acquired skills and knowledge in practical work situations. It involves understanding how to leverage skills to solve problems, make decisions, collaborate with others, and contribute to organizational goals.

skill flexibility is essential in dynamic and rapidly changing work environments. It enables employees to navigate and succeed in uncertain and complex situations, respond to technological advancements, and adapt to evolving job roles and industry trends. Moreover, skill flexibility contributes to organizational agility, innovation, and competitiveness.

It is important to note that workplace flexibility should be considered in conjunction with other dimensions of flexibility, such as schedule flexibility or work arrangement flexibility, as they collectively contribute to employees' ability to navigate the demands of their work environment effectively.

Behavior flexibility:

The term "behavior flexibility" describes a person's aptitude for altering and adapting their actions according to various circumstances and social environments. This attribute entails being flexible, receptive to change, and able to adjust one's behavior, communication style, and reactions in line with the particular demands and norms of a given scenario.

Behavior flexibility requires individuals to be aware of their own behaviors and emotions, as well as the social cues and dynamics present in their environment. It involves being able to regulate one's own emotions and adjust behaviors accordingly to interact and engage with others effectively.

An individual with behavior flexibility can modify their approach, communication style, and behaviors to suit different circumstances and meet the needs of others. They are willing to consider alternative perspectives, adapt their methods, and learn from feedback or new information.

Behavior flexibility is beneficial in various aspects of life, including personal relationships, work settings, and social interactions. It enables individuals to navigate diverse situations, collaborate effectively, resolve conflicts, and build positive relationships with others.

Developing behavior flexibility requires self-awareness, emotional intelligence, and a willingness to embrace change. It involves continuously learning, adapting, and refining one's behaviors based on the specific demands of different situations.

In simple terms, behavior flexibility refers to the ability to adjust and modify behavior as per different social situations and settings. This involves being adaptable, open to change, and proficient in modifying

actions and communication techniques to effectively interact with others and navigate through diverse environments.

Practice flexibility:

Practice flexibility, in a general sense, refers to the ability to adapt and modify one's approach, methods, or strategies in the pursuit of a particular practice or activity. It involves being open to change, receptive to feedback, and willing to adjust one's actions based on evolving circumstances or new information.

The concept of flexibility is applicable in numerous areas including sports, arts, music, and professional skills. This idea encompasses several essential components:

- 1. Adaptability: Practice flexibility requires individuals to be adaptable and willing to modify their techniques, approaches, or routines as needed. It involves being responsive to changing conditions or challenges and being able to adjust one's actions accordingly.
- 2. **Continuous Learning:** Individuals who practice flexibility are committed to ongoing learning and improvement. They seek new knowledge, skills, or perspectives that can enhance their performance and are open to trying different strategies or methods to optimize their practice.
- Problem-solving: Practice flexibility involves being able to identify and address challenges or obstacles that may arise during practice. It requires individuals to employ creative problemsolving techniques, experiment with different approaches, and find innovative solutions to improve their performance.
- 4. **Growth Mindset:** Individuals with practice flexibility embrace a growth mindset, believing that their abilities can be developed through effort, practice, and learning. They view setbacks or failures as opportunities for growth and are motivated to persist and adapt their practice methods to achieve desired outcomes.

Practice flexibility can lead to enhanced performance, mastery, and innovation within a particular practice or domain. It enables individuals to overcome obstacles, refine their techniques, and explore new possibilities for improvement.

We assert that HR flexibility is a dynamic capability of the firm (Eisenhardt & Martin, 2000; Teece, Pisano, & Shuen, 1997; Zollo & Winter, 2002) in the sense that it is focused on adapting employee

attributes—such as knowledge, skills, and behaviors—to changing environmental conditions (Wright, Dunford, & Snell, 2001; Wright & Snell, 1998). Wright and Snell (1998) propose that HR flexibility is comprised of three sub-dimensions: employee skill flexibility, employee behavioral flexibility, and HR practice flexibility.

To put it simply, practicing flexibility means being able to adapt, adjust, and modify your approach, methods, or strategies in a particular practice or activity. This requires adaptability, a continuous learning mindset, problem-solving skills, and a growth mindset in order to optimize performance and achieve desired outcomes.

Research on the potential benefit of flexible employee skills and behaviors has employed different levels of analysis and used multiple, and often inconsistent, explanatory concepts. At the individual level, scholars have investigated employee adaptability (Lepine, Colquitt, & Erez, 2000; Pulakos, Arad, Donovan, & Plamondon, 2000), but have generally not linked this dimension to firm-level outcomes. Human capital dimensions such as education and experience (Hitt, Bierman, Shimizu, & Kochhar, 2001) and employee behaviors such as mimetic adoption (Greve, 1998) and employee resistance (Larsson & Finkelstein, 1999) have been related to the firm-level outcomes, but studies tend to treat skills and behaviors separately rather than as potentially integrated. At the organization level, the learning literature has emphasized that firms need to create, acquire, and transfer knowledge, thus modifying behavior (Garvin, 1993; Hedberg, 1981; Lei, Hitt, & Bettis, 1996), but has not investigated how employee skills and behaviors are associated with learning. The strategic human resource management (SHRM) literature has examined high-performance HR practices and the degree to which they contribute to firm performance (e.g., Delery & Doty, 1996; Huselid, 1995). However, these studies need to specifically address whether these practices are flexible or examine how employee skills and behaviors contribute to or interact with high-performing HR practices. Our study's objective is to explore the correlation and interplay between work flexibility and digitization and its impact on employee performance .In our research, work flexibility plays a moderating role and has a positive impact on employee performance.

1.4 Employee performance:

Job performance is considered the ultimate criterion in human resource management (Organ & Paine, 1999). Its assessment and analysis is capital for different organizational processes, such as personnel selection, compensation and rewards, or training. Regardless of the purpose of the evaluation, organizations need accurate ratings of performance, and even better if they produce the same results while saving time and effort (DeNisi & Murphy, 2017). This study is aimed to analyzing self-report job performance scale suitable for a broad set of jobs, and interaction of that with digitalization which includes the three main dimensions of job performance (i.e., task performance, contextual performance, and counterproductive work behavior).

Following the review by Campbell and Wiernik (2015), job performance is a construct that comprises behaviors under workers' control that contribute to organizational goals. These authors emphasize that performance is a set of behaviors, not the variables that determine these behaviors or their outcomes. The definition is quite open because it is the only way to describe a phenomenon that varies substantially across jobs (Aguinis, 2013) and time (Sackett & Lievens, 2008). However, there is consensus regarding the multidimensional nature of performance (Dalal, Baysinger, Brummel, & Lebreton, 2012). Although different dimensions have been proposed, such as safety performance (Burke, Sarpy, Tesluk, & Smith-Crowe, 2002) and adaptive performance (Pulakos, Arad, Donovan, & Plamondon, 2000), there are three major domains of job performance (Sackett & Lievens, 2008): task performance, contextual performance, and counterproductive work behavior. Together, these dimensions provide a relatively comprehensive and parsimonious approach to overall job performance (Dalal et al., 2012).

The Measure of Job Performance

Being able to measure performance with adequate instruments is as important as describing it. From our point of view, this is related to at least two issues: variability across raters and the degree of job specificity needed. Regarding raters, most researchers and practitioners trust job performance scales, but the difference lies in "who" completes them: supervisors, peers, subordinates, or the workers themselves. The fact that job performance scores vary according to the rater is undisputable (Murphy, 2008). In Woehr's (2008, p. 163) words, "the lack of agreement across sources may reflect true differences resulting from differences in perspectives or opportunities to observe performance." Multi rater assessments may help to understand performance, but this cannot be simply resolved by pooling samples (Adler et al., 2016). In consequence, researchers agreed that different raters provide different perspectives of workers' performance, and the use of one or another rater depends on researchers'

purposes (Scullen, Mount, & Goff, 2000). Self-evaluations tend to be more favorable than other evaluations (DeNisi & Murphy, 2017), making them less frequent in applied contexts. Nevertheless, self-reports have some advantages that should be recognized, namely (Koopmans, Bernaards, Hildebrandt, & van Buuren, 2013): (1) they allow measuring job performance in occupations where other measures are difficult to obtain (e.g., high complexity jobs); (2) unlike the remaining stakeholders, employees have the opportunity to observe all their own behaviors; (3) peers and managers rate performance considering their general impression of the employee (i.e., halo effect); and (4) they are easy to collect and reduce problems with missing data and confidentiality problems. Thus, the use of self-report measures of performance is still useful.

The second issue is the level of specificity needed. More than sixty years ago, Cronbach and Gleser (1957) brought up the debate about the use of general or specific measures (or broadness vs. narrowness), which has been called the bandwidth-fidelity dilemma. As Judge and Kammeyer-Mueller (2012) state, it makes "little sense to use a specific measure of a predictor to predict a general behavior" (p. 168). Although the dilemma has been centered on the level of specificity that predictors need to approach the criterion (e.g., Bragg & Bowling, 2018; Salgado et al., 2015), we want to point out the stress on the latter (in our case, job performance).

Job performance can be operationalized in very different ways depending on our purposes, ranging from broad descriptions of behaviors (e.g., demonstrating effort, industriousness, adaptability) to narrow ones (e.g., written and oral communications, attendance, adherence to rules). As an example, the meta-analysis of Salgado et al. (2015) found 10 different job-performance measures, each one with its own degree of specificity, whilst the theoretical review developed by Koopmans et al. (2011) found 17 generic frameworks and 18 job specific frameworks of job performance. This situation confines researchers to studying particular situations and multiplies the amount of measures of job performance, hindering the generalization of their findings (Viswesvaran & Ones, 2017).

According to the review performed by Koopmans, Bernaards, Hildebrandt, De Vet, and Van Der Beek (2014), existing scales of task performance, contextual performance, and counterproductive work behavior show several limitations: (1) none of them measure all of the main dimensions of individual work performance together; thus, they do not measure the full range of individual work performance; (2) the joint use of scales for different dimensions can include antithetical items, creating an overlap between these scales; and (3) none of the scales seem suitable for generic use, which might help to overcome the generalization problems.

These limitations are especially noteworthy in non-Anglo-Saxon countries, where the available scales are considerably fewer. For example, in Spain, the available job performance scales suitable for overall working population (i.e., published in peer-review journals, with evidence of reliability and validity in workers of different occupations and sectors, with items included in the paper or available upon request from the research team) are scarce. Among the exceptions, we can mention two scales for contextual performance (i.e., Dávila & Finkelstein, 2010; Díaz-Vilela, Díaz-Cabrera, Isla- Díaz, Hernández-Fernaud, & Rosales-Sánchez, 2012), and one for counterproductive behaviors (i.e., Fernández del Río et al., 2018). Summarizing the already outlined issues, to advance research, it seems interesting to have an instrument that measures job performances and that: (1) is brief, saving time in data collection (DeNisi & Murphy, 2017); (2) is a self-report and generic, allowing its use in many different contexts and jobs (Koopmans, Bernaards, Hildebrandt, van Buuren et al., 2013); and (3) comprises at least the main dimensions of job performance, avoiding the problems related to the joint use of different performance scales (Koopmans et al., 2014). The Individual Work Performance Questionnaire (IWPQ) meets all these criteria.

The Individual Work Performance Questionnaire

The Individual Work Performance Questionnaire (Koopmans, 2015) is an 18-item scale developed in The Netherlands to measure the three main dimensions of job performance: task performance, contextual performance, and counterproductive work behavior. All items have a recall period of three months and a 5-point rating scale (0 = seldom to 4 = always for task and contextual performance; and 0 = never to 4 = often for counterproductive work behavior). A mean score for each IWPQ scale can be calculated by adding the item scores, and dividing their sum by the number of items in the scale.

The operationalization of the IWPQ scales was based on a systematic review of the occupational health, work and organizational psychology, and management and economics literature (Koopmans et al., 2011) and a study by Koopmans, Bernaards, Hildebrandt, De Vet, and van der Beek (2013). In the latter study, Koopmans, Bernaards, Hildebrandt, De Vet et al. (2013) identified all possible indicators of job performance dimensions from the literature, existing questionnaires, and expert interviews. It yielded 317 potential items belonging to four dimensions of job performance: task performance, contextual performance, counterproductive behaviors, and adaptive performance. The items were reduced to 128 after removing indicators that overlapped among dimensions and variables that were determinants of job performance and not of performance itself (e.g., motivation). Subsequently, agreement among 253

experts from different professional backgrounds and countries was reached on the most relevant, generic indicators per scale. It is remarkable that experts came from different professions (44.7% were researchers, 21.3% were human resource managers, 19.0% were managers, and 15.0% were occupational health professionals), and mostly with six or more years of experience (77%). This study led to developing an initial version of the IWPQ (Koopmans, Bernaards, Hildebrandt, van Buuren et al., 2013), aimed to be used on generic working population, avoiding antithetical items among dimensions. For this purpose, Koopmans, Bernaards, Hildebrandt, van Buuren et al. (2013) developed a pilot test with researchers (N = 54) and a field test with Dutch workers from different occupational sectors (N = 1,181), including blue, pink, and white collar jobs. In the pilot test, researchers were asked whether they thought the questionnaire actually measured individual job performance, whether any questions were redundant, and whether any important questions were missing. In the field test, workers were asked whether the items were applicable to their occupation. As result, the authors reached a generic scale with three dimensions: task performance, contextual performance, and counterproductive behaviors. Although IWPQ initially considered adaptive performance, the items related to this dimension were included in contextual performance.

This version of IWPQ has been adapted to the American-English language in a further study (Koopmans et al., 2016) in which they asked American workers (N = 40) whether they thought the questionnaire actually measured individual work performance, and whether all relevant facets of individual work performance were assessed. Based on the aforementioned studies (Koopmans, Bernaards, Hildebrandt, van Buuren et al., 2013; Koopmans et al., 2016), the content validity of the IWPQ was judged to be good. IWPQ scores showed sufficient convergent validity and very good discriminative validity in a sample of 1,424 Dutch workers from different occupational sectors (Koopmans, et al., 2014).

Although the IWPQ seems adequate, one more thing is missing: further evidence of convergent validity. It is true that Koopmans (2015) provides evidence of the relationship of IWPQ with variables related to job performance such as presentism, work engagement, or job satisfaction, but we consider that is necessary for the IWPQ to demonstrate its relationship with existing measures of job performance and with predictors such as personality, whose relationship with performance has been highlighted in previous studies (e.g., Barrick & Mount, 1991). The present study is aimed at providing this evidence.

2) METHODOLOGY

The purpose of this study is to establish a correlation between Digitalization and employee performance. Additionally, we will examine the relationships of work engagement and workplace flexibility to this model. In order to achieve accurate results, the research must formulate precise questions that address each objective. Therefore, it is essential that we ask respondents for their opinions on each question. We cannot rely on other research studies for two reasons. Firstly, no other research study has applied this model before. Secondly, if there are any studies with a similar questionnaire, their model is likely to be different and not applicable to our research. Hence, we must create a new questionnaire and collect new data for this study.

When discussing digitalization, it's important to consider which segments it applies to. In this research, we will focus on workplace digitalization and explore its impact on other parts of research.

2.1 Hypothesis:

Figure1 demonstrates the research model where the relations of them (Digitalization, work engagement, workplace flexibility, and employee's performance)



We have developed a model with 5 distinct hypotheses, and we anticipate that the results will align with our expectations. Once we have analyzed the data, we will be able to determine whether our predictions have been confirmed or not.

Digitalization has two hypotheses:

- H1: has an impact on work engagement.
- H3: has an impact positively on Employees Performance

Work engagement:

H2 has a mediate impact from Digitalization to employee's performance.

Workplace Flexibility:

H4 workplace flexibility moderated positively on Digitalization's impact on Employees Performance.

H5 Workplace flexibility moderated positively the impact of workplace digitalization on work engagement

Through our research hypothesis, we can effectively showcase how each component impacts one another. To obtain precise statistical analysis, we will be utilizing the Andrew F. Hayes PROCESS macro. This model provides numerous advantages, including:

- Mediation Analysis: The PROCESS macro allows researchers to assess the mediating role of one or more variables in explaining the relationship between an independent variable and a dependent variable. It provides estimates of direct and indirect effects, along with bootstrapped confidence intervals for mediation effects.
- 2. **Moderation Analysis:** With the PROCESS macro, researchers can explore how the relationship between two variables varies depending on the value of a third variable. It enables the assessment of interaction effects and provides valuable information about the conditions under which the relationship between variables changes.

- Conditional Process Analysis: This type of analysis allows researchers to examine both mediation and moderation simultaneously, considering the conditional nature of the relationships. The PROCESS macro facilitates the investigation of complex models with multiple mediators and moderators.
- 4. Advanced Statistical Methods: The PROCESS macro employs bootstrap resampling techniques to estimate direct, indirect, and conditional effects. Bootstrapping provides more accurate and robust estimates, particularly in small sample sizes or non-normal data distributions.

2.2 Data reliability

To assess the reliability of research data, the Cronbach's alpha test is utilized. Cronbach's alpha is a statistical measure used to assess the internal consistency reliability of a scale or questionnaire. It is named after its developer, Lee J. Cronbach, and is widely used in social sciences, psychology, and other research fields.

The primary purpose of Cronbach's alpha is to evaluate the extent to which the items within a scale or questionnaire are measuring the same underlying construct or concept. It provides a measure of how well the items in a scale are interrelated and whether they are consistently measuring the intended variable of interest.

Internal consistency reliability refers to the degree to which the items in a scale correlate with each other. Cronbach's alpha calculates the average correlation among all possible combinations of items within the scale. It ranges from 0 to 1, with **higher** values indicating greater internal consistency.

By assessing internal consistency, we will be bale to evaluate the reliability of their measurement instrument. A high Cronbach's alpha indicates that the items in the scale are highly correlated and provide consistent measurements of the construct being studied. This suggests that the scale is likely to produce reliable and valid results. According to Table 1, the Cronbach's alpha test indicates total reliability of CA=0.952, implying that the data is accurate and that most respondents provided logical answers to our questions. It is important to note that the item for total statistics only applies to the Digitalization section, the reliability value is provided with the description of questionnaire.

N	%				
	N %				
168	79.6				
43	20.4				
Total 211 100.0					
	43 211 n based on all va				

Reliability Statistics				
Cronbach's Alpha	Cronbach's Alpha Based on Standardized Items	N of Items		
.952	.959	63		

Item-Total Statistics						
	Scale Mean if Item Deleted	Scale Variance if Item Deleted	Corrected Item-Total Correlation	Squared Multiple Correlation	Cronbach's Alpha if Item Deleted	
I use digital tools in internal communication	53.32	77.202	.620	.556	.870	
I use digital tools in external communication	53.08	77.230	.582	.537	.871	
I use digital tools for information search	53.14	74.923	.694	.664	.866	
I use digital tools for documentation	53.08	75.456	.689	.638	.866	
I use digital tools for analysis	53.13	74.680	.736	.643	.864	
I feel that the use of digital tools makes my job easier	53.04	74.491	.789	.785	.862	
I feel that the use of digital tools is adding to my work effectiveness	53.03	74.820	.809	.835	.862	
I feel that the use of digital tools is relevant for my work	53.17	75.970	.707	.681	.866	
I feel that digital tools are hard to use	54.40	91.606	182	.555	.911	
I feel that digital tools are hard to use	54.39	90.855	153	.581	.908	
I feel that the use of digital tools has changed my work role	53.41	76.407	.645	.487	.868	
I feel that the use of digital tools sets high requirements for my competence	53.27	76.709	.674	.566	.867	
I feel that the use of digital tools has changed the way I work	53.17	75.648	.781	.689	.863	
I use digital tools in contact with clients	53.16	77.727	.657	.574	.869	
I use digital tools when meeting with the clients	53.28	76.141	.641	.628	.868	

2.3 Data collection:

Data collection began in December 2021 to Feb 2022 through an electronic survey distributed on social media platforms such as Facebook and LinkedIn, as well as through direct messaging and email. The survey comprises of 5 segments, and the final questionnaire is a culmination of the merged responses from all five segments.

Instruments:

To assess how digitalization affects employee performance, we've developed five types of questionnaires that determine respondents' demographics, measure digitalization (by Timurs Umans, Martin Kockum, Elin Nilsson, Sofie Lindberg, 2018), evaluate work flexibility (by Bhattacharya, M., Gibson, D., Doty, D.H. in August 2005), measure engagement (using the Utrecht Work Engagement Scale), and assess individual work performance (using the 18-item version of the IWPQ). The question is structured using the Likert scale, with 1 representing "strongly disagree" and 5 representing "strongly agree".

2.4 Demographics

As control variables, we asked 9 questions about what factors are important in job performance and digitalization. This is because education level, age, and type of industry can all play important roles. Additionally, we requested respondents to provide their exact age and country in the survey form to ensure better analysis. The following list includes the demographic questions:

- Educational level
- Gender
- Employment
- Job position
- Which industry
- Age
- Where are you from
- Size of company
- Job experience

2.5 Digitalization measurement:

The digitalization part was established through (Timurs Umans, Martin Kockum, Elin Nilsson, Sofie Lindberg, 2018), based, on that we have 14 questions(Table1) which cover Four different segment : information management, for customer relation management, for work optimization and as a change agent. The question is designed on the Likert scale, where 1 = strongly disagree and 5= strongly agree.

Cronbach's Alpha reliability test for all the questions: 0.881

Digitalization questionnaire		Cronbach's Alpha reliability
I use digital tools in internal communication I use digital tools in external communication I use digital tools for information search I use digital tools for documentation I use digital tools for analysis	Information management	0.887
I feel that the use of digital tools makes my job easier I feel that the use of digital tools is adding to my work effectiveness I feel that the use of digital tools is relevant for my work I feel that digital tools are hard to use	Work optimization	0.605
I feel that the use of digital tools has changed my work role I feel that the use of digital tools sets high requirements for my competence. I feel that the use of digital tools has changed the way I work	Change agent	0.824
I use digital tools in contact with clients I use digital tools when meeting with clients.	Customer relation management	0.808

Source:14 questions Timurs Umans, Martin Kockum, Elin Nilsson, Sofie Lindberg, 2018

Table 1

2.6 Work Engagement:

the Utrecht Work Engagement Scale (UWES) is used for this part. It is the most commonly used measure of work engagement. UWES has two versions, the UWES-17 and UWES-9. For this study, the short version of the (UWES) is used to measure work engagement (Table 2). The question is designed on the Likert scale, where 1 = strongly disagree and 5= strongly agree.

Cronbach's Alpha reliability test for all the questions: 0.93

Utrecht Work Engagement Scale		
My job inspires me		
I am enthusiastic about my job.		
At my job, I feel strong and vigorous		
When I get up in the morning, I feel like going to		
work.		
At my work, I feel bursting with energy		
I am proud on the work that I do		
I am immersed in my work.		
I get carried away when I'm working		
I feel happy when I am working intensely.		

Source: the Utrecht Work Engagement Scale (UWES)

Table 2

2.7 Work flexibility:

It is measured by using Bhattacharya, M., Gibson, D., Doty, D.H. (Aug. 2005) questionnaire, which provides 22 questions (Table3) which has 3 different segments (Skill flexibility, Behavior flexibility HR Practice flexibility) designed in Likert scale, where 1 = strongly disagree and 5= strongly agree.

Cronbach's Alpha reliability for all the questions: 0.954

Work flexibility questionnaire		Cronbach's Alpha reliability
Our firm can shift employees to different jobs when needed . Our employees can switch to new jobs in our company within a short time. Our employees are capable of putting new skills to use within a short time. Our firm is capable of meeting demand for new skills by retraining or shifting its existing employees. We employ people with a broad variety of skills. Many employees in our firm have multiple skills that are used in various jobs. People in our firm can learn new skills within a short period.	Skill flexibility	0.888
 The flexibility of our employees' work habits helps us to change according to market demands. People in our firm change their work habits in response to changes in the competitive environment. Our employees respond to changing situations within a short time. People in our firm readily change their work habits as demanded by changes in the working environment. Most of our employees are flexible enough to adjust to dynamic work requirements. Our employees adjust to changing work requirements within a short period. Our employees' response to the changing nature of their jobs helps us remain competitive in the market. People in our firm change their behavior in response to customer requirements. 	Behavior flexibility	0.907
The flexibility of our HR practices helps us to adjust to the changing demands of the environment. Our firm modifies its HR system to keep pace with the changing competitive environment. Our HR practice parameters are designed so that they adjust quickly to changes in business conditions. We make frequent changes in our HR practices to align the HR system with changing work requirements. Changes in our HR practices enable us to remain competitive in the market. Our HR practices adjust meaningfully to changed business scenarios. Our HR practices, as a whole, are flexible.	Practice flexibility	0.919

Table3

Source : Bhattacharya, M., Gibson, D., Doty, D.H. (Aug. 2005) questionnaire

2.8 Individual work performance questionnaire:

The IWPQ in the 18-item version (Table 4) of the latest version of the English instruction manual (Koopmans, 2015). It is used to measure the IWP. The questions are on a Likert scale, where 1 = strongly disagree and 5 = strongly agree.

Cronbach's Alpha reliability for all the questions:0.876

Individual work performance questionnaire		Cronbach's Alpha reliability
I managed to plan my work so that I finished it on time.		
I kept in mind the work result I needed to achieve.		
I was able to set priorities.	task performance	0.848
I was able to carry out my work efficiently.		
I managed my time well.		
On my own initiative, I started new tasks when my old tasks were completed.		
I took on challenging tasks when they were available.		
I worked on keeping my job-related knowledge up to date.	.	
I worked on keeping my work skills up to date.	contextual	0.863
I came up with creative solutions for new problems.	performance	
I took on extra responsibilities.		
I continually sought new challenges in my work.		
I actively participated in meetings and/or consultations.		
I complained about minor work-related issues at work.		
I made problems at work bigger than they were.		
I focused on the negative aspects of the situation at work instead of the	counterproductive	
positive aspects.	behaviors	0.832
I talked to colleagues about the negative aspects of my work.		
I talked to people outside the organization about the negative aspects of	1	
my work.		
 I focused on the negative aspects of the situation at work instead of the positive aspects. I talked to colleagues about the negative aspects of my work. I talked to people outside the organization about the negative aspects of my work. urce : Individual work performance questionnaire (The IWPQ in the 18-ite 	counterproductive behaviors m version)	0.832

Table 4

3) Data and analysis:

3.1 Participants and Procedure

A total of 211 individuals responded to the questionnaire, with 55% identifying as male and 42.7% as female. 2.4% preferred not to disclose their gender. The age range of respondents varied from 17 to 75 years, with an average age of 36.59. Participants came from various countries worldwide, mostly from Europe. Regarding employment status, 79% were full-time employed, 13.7% were part-time employed, and 6.2% were not employed. The majority of our respondents (74.4%) work in a general employee role. Additionally, 16.1% identified as managers or supervisors, and 6.2% as senior managers. In terms of educational attainment, 17.1% held a high school diploma, 44.5% had a bachelor's degree, 26.1% had a master's degree, and 7.1% held a doctoral degree. Figure 2 illustrates the data regarding demographic.

What is your Job position ?				
Answer options	Count		Ratio)
Senior management	13		6.2	%
Manager/supervisor	34		16.	1%
General employee	157		74.	4%
Not answered to question	7		3.3	%
What is your highest Educationa	I Degree	?		
Answer options		Count		Ratio
High school diploma		36	-	17.1%
Bachelor degree		94		44.5%
Master degree		55		26.1%
Doctoral degree		15	•	7.1%
Other (e.g., associates degree and)		6		2.8%
Not answered to question		5		2.4%
What is your Gender ?				
Answer options	Count		Ratio)
Female	90		42	7%
Male	116		55	0%
Not answered to question	5		2.4	%
Are you Currently employed ?				
Answer options	Count		Ratio)
Yes	168		79.	6%
Part time	29		13.	7%
No	13		6.2	%

Figure2

The process of collecting data commenced in December 2021 and was completed by March 2022. An electronic survey was administered through social media platforms such as Facebook and LinkedIn, as well as direct messaging and email.

3.2Analysis Model

For analyzing the data collected from our questionnaire, model 8 Mediation, Moderation, and Conditional Process Analysis (A Regression-Based Approach)- PROCESS for SPSS by Andrew F. Hayes 2013 is used. Our research includes 10 variables, with 4 relating to employee performance, 4 relating to workplace flexibility, digitalization, and work engagement. The following list and figure3 outline the different components of these variables:



Model 8

Figure3

X: Digitalization

M: work engagement

W: workplace flexibility

- FLEX: Mean of all the results
- SF: Skill flexibility
- BF: Behavior flexibility
- PF: Practice flexibility

Y: employees' performance

- Pref: Mean of all the Results.
- TP: Task performance
- CP: contextual performance
- CB: counterproductive behaviors

To simplify the explanation, the results will be provided in two distinct segments. One segment will display the output from the perspective of workplace flexibility, while the other will showcase employee performance data.

4) Results:

To begin, we will examine the outcomes of the general model, which utilizes the average values of workplace flexibility and employee performance. We will then proceed to adjust the flexibility variables incrementally in order to observe the resulting changes. Following this, we will maintain the mean level of flexibility while altering the performance variables of our employees.

The sample size of the model was 203 respondents. In the first step, engagement is chosen as an outcome variable. The results showed that flexibility is the moderator that influences the relation between digitalization and engagement, so we can prove that this moderation exists. As depicted in Figure 3, the P value of digitalization(P=0.0006) and flexibility(p=0.0000) and the interaction between them is significant. (P=0.0044)

Model : 8 Y : Per X : Dig M : Eng W : Fle	fo ital ag x					
Sample Size: 203 OUTCOME VARI	ABLE: Engag					
Model Summar	У					
R	R-sq	MSE	F	df1	df2	р
.6842	.4682	.2445	58.3972	3.0000	199.0000	.0000
Model						
	coeff	se	t	р	LLCI	ULCI
constant	4865	.6009	8096	.4191	-1.6714	.6984
Digital	.6172	.1780	3.4679	. <mark>0006</mark>	.2663	.9682
Flex	1.1240	.1777	6.3243	. <mark>0000</mark>	.7735	1.4744
Int_1	1417	.0491	-2.8842	. <mark>0044</mark>	2385	0448

Figure 3

The Test of highest-order unconditional interaction shows that. The workplace flexibility can improve the impact of digitalization on engagement; However, the intriguing aspect is that in the workplace environment where they have less flexibility, the impact of digitalization on engagement is higher. So in other words, it means that digitalization can increase engagement in an inflexible workplace. figure4 illustrates that in the workplace with average and high flexibility, the impact of digitalization on engagement is not significant.

Conditio	onal	l effects of	f the foca	l predictor	at values	of the m	oderator(s	s):	
Fle	x	Effect	se	t p	LLC	ULC	I		
3. 23	<mark>42</mark>	<mark>.1591</mark>	.0624	2.5495	.0115	.0360	.2821		
3.85	94	.0705	.0659	1.0702	.2858	0594	.2005		
4.48	46	0180	.0817	2206	.8256	1792	.1431		

Fi	gure	4
TI	guie	4

According to The Johnson-Neyman model (figure 5) till Value: 3.4934, the impact of flexibility on the relationship of digitalization and engagement is significant. It has been proven that reduced workplace flexibility has a significant impact on engagement regarding digitalization.

Conditiona	l effect of	focal pre	dictor at va	alues of tl	ne moder	ator:
Flex	Effect	se	t p	LLCI	ULC	I
1.0000	.4756	.1330	3.5749	.0004	.2132	.7379
1.1900	.4487	.1248	3.5937	.0004	.2025	.6949
1.3800	.4218	.1168	3.6098	.0004	.1914	.6522
1.5700	.3948	.1090	3.6213	.0004	.1798	.6099
1.7600	.3679	.1015	3.6253	.0004	.1678	.5681
1.9500	.3410	.0943	3.6177	.0004	.1551	.5269
2.1400	.3141	.0874	3.5922	.0004	.1417	.4865
2.3300	.2872	.0811	3.5404	.0005	.1272	.4471
2.5200	.2603	.0754	3.4510	.0007	.1115	.4090
2.7100	.2334	.0705	3.3099	.0011	.0943	.3724
2.9000	.2064	.0665	3.1027	.0022	.0752	.3376
3.0900	.1795	.0637	2.8182	.0053	.0539	.3051
3.2800	.1526	.0622	2.4555	.0149	.0301	.2752
3.4700	.1257	.0620	2.0279	.0439	.0035	.2479
<mark>3.4934</mark>	.1224	.0621	1.9720	. <mark>0500</mark>	.0000	.2448
3.6600	.0988	.0632	1.5628	.1197	0259	.2234
3.8500	.0719	.0657	1.0931	.2757	0578	.2015
4.0400	.0450	.0695	.6472	.5182	0920	.1819
4.2300	.0180	.0742	.2433	.8081	1282	.1643
4.4200	0089	.0797	1114	.9114	1660	.1483
4.6100	0358	.0859	4168	.6773	2051	.1335
4.8000	0627	.0926	6772	.4990	2453	.1199

Figure 5

The graph (figure 6) illustrates how flexibility affects the correlation between digitalization and engagement. It reveals that in companies with low flexibility, digitalization has a greater impact on engagement, whereas in those with high flexibility, there is no impact.



Based on the analysis of employee performance data(figure7), it has been found that digitalization has a consistently positive impact on employee performance, regardless of the level of flexibility involved. In other words, it is not dependent on the moderator because the (P = 0.557) for workplace flexibility is not significant, and there is no interaction between digitalization and flexibility (P Int 1= 0.3670)

Perfo						
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Model						
	coeff	se	t	р	LLCI	ULCI
constant	1.5270	.4630	3.2980	.0012	.6139	2.4401
Digital	.2954	.1410	2.0951	.0374	.0173	.5734
Engag	.1448	.0545	2.6552	.0086	.0373	.2523
Flex	.2884	.1498	1.9249	.0557	0071	.5839
Int_1	0349	.0386	9042	<mark>.3670</mark>	1109	.0412

Figure 7

Based on Figure 8, it can be concluded that flexibility does not affect the correlation between digitalization and performance. The graph demonstrates that regardless of the level of flexibility, the relationship between digitalization and employees' performance remains constant.



Based on Figure 9, there is no impact through engagement on employees' performance (P = 0.6591) which is not significant. It means that Digitalization has an impact on performance directly and independently, and engagement as a mediator has no impact on employees' performance.

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Figure 9

Research on various aspects of workplace flexibility, including (SF: Skill flexibility, BF: Behavior flexibility, PF: Practice flexibility), did not reveal any new connection between flexibility and digitalization. However, it was found that workplace flexibility does affect employee engagement. In a low-flexibility environment, digitalization has a greater impact on engagement, but engagement does not directly affect employee performance. Instead, digitalization has a direct and independent effect on employee performance. In summary, while workplace flexibility may impact engagement, digitalization has a more significant impact on employee performance.

Research on various aspects of employees' performance, including (TP: Task performance, CP: contextual performance, and CB: counterproductive behaviors) shows that. The level of workplace flexibility has an impact on the relationship between digitalization and **task performance**, with flexibility acting as a moderator. This means that in less flexible work environments, digitalization has a greater impact on task performance compared to companies with medium or high levels of flexibility. (figure10)



The model reveals a significant and intriguing finding: in work environments with medium to high flexibility, increasing digitalization results in a decrease in **counterproductive behaviors**. This means that digitalization can effectively control and reduce such behaviors, which is crucial for improving employee performance.



5) Discussion:

The study demonstrates a correlation between Digitalization and employees' performance. Based on the findings, digitization can significantly enhance the performance of employees while also affecting their level of engagement. However, it appears that engagement does not have a direct impact on employee performance.

Based on the research results, three hypotheses were supported while two were rejected. The first hypothesis(H1), which suggests that digitalization impacts engagement, was proven. However, the second hypothesis(H2), stating that engagement affects employee performance, was not supported. On the other hand, the third hypothesis(H3) was strongly supported, indicating a significant relationship between digitalization and employee performance. As a result, the fourth hypothesis(H4), which claims a correlation between total flexibility and digitalization's impact on performance, is rejected. However, it is accepted that digitalization affects task performance. The final hypothesis(H5), was supported, indicating a connection between workplace flexibility and digitalization's impact on engagement.

The research shows that it is interesting to note that the research results highlight the potential impact digitalization can have on the workplace. Specifically, the findings suggest that increased digitalization can lead to improved performance and engagement among employees. It seems that the higher the level of digitalization, the better the results. This information certainly piques my curiosity about the possibilities of digital transformation in the workplace.

A crucial finding from the research is the correlation between the degree of digitalization and counterproductive behaviors. This has been established through data analysis in flexible work environments where employees are willing to accept digitalization with minimal resistance. Increasing the level of digitalization can lead to a decrease in counterproductive behaviors. It is widely recognized that monitoring this factor is essential for any company and can significantly impact employee performance.

Limitations and Recommendations for Further Research

The wide range of data collected from various regions around the world limits the generalizability of the results. Therefore, we cannot conclude that the findings are specific to any one country or region.

However, the research involved participants from diverse job environments, educational backgrounds, and age groups, indicating that the data is general in nature and not specific to any group.

As a recommendation, I suggest applying the test in a specific area and job environment to yield varied research outcomes potentially. Nevertheless, I hold the belief that digitalization's impact on job performance will generally be positive across most environments.

6) Conclusion:

The research aimed to investigate and combine the connections between Digitalization and employee Performance, as well as the impact of engagement and workplace flexibility on the impact of digitalization on performance. Based on the quantitative survey and quantitative analysis by using model 8 Mediation, Moderation, and Conditional Process Analysis (A Regression-Based Approach)-PROCESS for SPSS by Andrew F. Hayes 2013.

Based on the findings, it is evident that digitalization has a positive **independent** impact on employee performance and can enhance work engagement. on the other hand, it finds out in work environments with medium to high flexibility, increasing digitalization results in a decrease in counterproductive behaviors.and finally, the results show that digitalization can increase engagement in an inflexible workplace.

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Appendix:

Are you Currently employed ?

Yes Part time No

What is your Job position ?

Senior management Manager/supervisor General employee

For How many Years do you work there ?

Less than 1 years 1 - 5 Years 5 - 10 Years 10 - 20 Years more than 20 Years

What is the size of your company ?

1 - 10 employees 10 - 50 employees 50 - 150 employees 150 - 500 employees + 500 employees

Which Industry do you work?

Mining Construction Manufacturing Utilities Wholesale trade Retail trade Transportation and warehousing Information services Financial services Professional and business activities Educational services Health care and social assistance Leisure and hospitality Federal government State and local government Agriculture, forestry, fishing, and hunting Other (e.g., entertainment and not for profit)

I use digital tools in	internal com	munication.		
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	not Decided	Agree	Strongly Agree
I use digital tools in	external com	munication		
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	not Decided	Agree	Strongly Agree
I use digital tools fo	r information	search		
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	not Decided	Agree	Strongly Agree
I use digital tools fo	r documentat	ion		
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	not Decided	Agree	Strongly Agree
I use digital tools fo	r analysis			
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	not Decided	Agree	Strongly Agree
I feel that the use of	digital tools	makes my job eas	ier	
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	not Decided	Agree	Strongly Agree
I feel that the use of	digital tools i	s adding to my w	ork effective	eness.
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	not Decided	Agree	Strongly Agree
I feel that the use of	digital tools i	s relevant for my	work	
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	not Decided	Agree	Strongly Agree
I feel that digital too	ols are hard to) use		
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	not Decided	Agree	Strongly Agree
I feel that digital too	ols are hard to) use		
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	not Decided	Agree	Strongly Agree
I feel that the use of	digital tools	has changed my w	vork role	
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	not Decided	Agree	Strongly Agree
I feel that the use of	digital tools s	sets high requiren	nents for my	competence
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	not Decided	Agree	Strongly Agree
I feel that the use of	digital tools	has changed the w	vay I work	
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	not Decided	Agree	Strongly Agree
I use digital tools in	contact with	clients		
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	not Decided	Agree	Strongly Agree

I use digital tools wl	hen meeting w	vith the clients		
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	not Decided	Agree	Strongly Agree
I managed to plan n	ny work so th	at I finished it on	time	
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	not Decided	Agree	Strongly Agree
I kept in mind the w	vork result I n	eeded to achieve		
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	not Decided	Agree	Strongly Agree
I was able to set prie	orities			
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	not Decided	Agree	Strongly Agree
I was able to carry o	out my work e	efficiently		
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	not Decided	Agree	Strongly Agree
I managed my time	well			
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	not Decided	Agree	Strongly Agree
On my own initiativ	e, I started ne	ew task when my	old tasks we	ere completed
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	not Decided	Agree	Strongly Agree
I took on challengin	g tasks when	they were availab	ole	
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	not Decided	Agree	Strongly Agree
I worked on keeping	g my job-relat	ted knowledge up	-to-date	
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	not Decided	Agree	Strongly Agree
I worked on keeping	g my work ski	ills up-to-date		
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	not Decided	Agree	Strongly Agree
I came up with crea	tive solutions	for new problem	s	
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	not Decided	Agree	Strongly Agree
I took on extra resp	onsibilities			
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	not Decided	Agree	Strongly Agree
I continually sought	new challeng	ges in my work		
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	not Decided	Agree	Strongly Agree
I actively participat	ed in meeting	s and/or consulta	tions	
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	not Decided	Agree	Strongly Agree

I complained about	minor work-	related issues at v	vork	
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	not Decided	Agree	Strongly Agree
I made problems at	work bigger	than they were		
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	not Decided	Agree	Strongly Agree
I focused on the neg	ative aspects	of situation at wo	ork instead o	f the positive aspects
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	not Decided	Agree	Strongly Agree
I talked to colleague	es about the n	egative aspects of	my work	
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	not Decided	Agree	Strongly Agree
I talked to people ou	itside the org	anization about tl	he negative a	spects of my work
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	not Decided	Agree	Strongly Agree
My job inspires me				
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	not Decided	Agree	Strongly Agree
I am enthusiastic ab	oout my job			
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	not Decided	Agree	Strongly Agree
At my job, I feel str	ong and vigor	ous		
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	not Decided	Agree	Strongly Agree
When I get up in th	e morning, I f	eel like going to v	vork	
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	not Decided	Agree	Strongly Agree
At my work, I feel b	oursting with	energy		
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	not Decided	Agree	Strongly Agree
I am proud on the v	vork that I do			
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	not Decided	Agree	Strongly Agree
I am immersed in m	ıy work			
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	not Decided	Agree	Strongly Agree
I get carried away	when I'm wor	·king		
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	not Decided	Agree	Strongly Agree
I feel happy when I	am working i	ntensely		
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	not Decided	Agree	Strongly Agree

Our firm can shift e	mployees to d	lifferent jobs whe	n needed	
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	not Decided	Agree	Strongly Agree
Our employees can	switch to new	jobs in our comp	any within	a short time
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	not Decided	Agree	Strongly Agree
Our firm is capable employees	of meeting de	emand for new sk	ills by retrai	ining or shifting its existing
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	not Decided	Agree	Strongly Agree
We employ people v	vith a broad v	ariety of skills		
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	not Decided	Agree	Strongly Agree
Many employees in	our firm have	e multiple skills tl	nat are used	in various jobs
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	not Decided	Agree	Strongly Agree
People in our firm c	an learn new	skills within a sh	ort neriod	
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	not Decided	Agree	Strongly Agree
The flexibility of our	r employees' v	work habits helps	s us to chang	e according to market
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	not Decided	Agree	Strongly Agree
People in our firm c environment	hange their w	ork habits in res	ponse to cha	nges in the competitive
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	not Decided	Agree	Strongly Agree
Our employees resp	ond to changi	ng situations wit	hin a short t	ime
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	not Decided	Agree	Strongly Agree
People in our firm r working environme	eadily change nt	e their work habit	s as demand	led by changes in the
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	not Decided	Agree	Strongly Agree
Most of our employ	ees are flexibl	e enough to adjus	st to dvnami	c work requirements
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	not Decided	Agree	Strongly Agree
Our employees adju	st to changing	g work requirem	ents within a	short period
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	not Decided	Agree	Strongly Agree
Our employees' resp in the market	ponse to the cl	hanging nature o	f their jobs l	elps us remain competitive

Strongly Disagree	Disagree	not Decided	Agree	Strongly Agree
People in our firm o	change their b	ehavior in respon	se to custom	ier requirements
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	not Decided	Agree	Strongly Agree
Flexibility of our H environment	R practices he	lps us to adjust to	the changing	ng demands of the
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	not Decided	Agree	Strongly Agree
Our firm modifies i	ts HR system	to keep pace with	the changin	ng competitive environment
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	not Decided	Agree	Strongly Agree
Our HR practice pa business conditions	arameters are	designed so that t	hey adjust o	quickly to changes in
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	not Decided	Agree	Strongly Agree
We make frequent work requirements	changes in our	• HR practices to	align the HI	R system with changing
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	not Decided	Agree	Strongly Agree
Changes in our HR	practices enal	ble us to remain c	ompetitive i	n the market
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	not Decided	Agree	Strongly Agree
Our HR practices a	djust meaning	fully to changed	business sce	narios
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Not Decided	Agree	Strongly Agree
Our HR practices, a	as a whole, are	flexible		
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	not Decided	Agree	Strongly Agree
What is your Gende	er?			
Female	Male			
How old are you?				
Where are you from	n? (enter your	country name)		
What is your highes	st Educational	Degree?		
High school diploma	a			
Master degree				
Doctoral degree				
Other (e.g., associate	es degree and .)		

Run MATRIX procedure: ************** PROCESS Procedure for SPSS Version 4.0 **** Written by Andrew F. Hayes, Ph.D. www.afhayes.com Documentation available in Hayes (2022). www.guilford.com/p/hayes3 ***** Model : 8 Y : Perfo X : Digital M : Engag : Flex W Sample Size: 203 ***** OUTCOME VARIABLE: Engag Model Summary R MSE F df1 df2 R-sq р .6842 .2445 58.3972 3.0000 199.0000 .4682 .0000 Model coeff t LLCI se р ULCI constant -.4865 .6009 -.8096 .4191 -1.6714 .6984 Digital .6172 .1780 3.4679 .0006 .2663 .9682 Flex 1.1240 .1777 6.3243 .0000 .7735 1.4744 Int 1 .0491 -2.8842 .0044 -.1417 -.2385 -.0448 Product terms key: Int 1 : Digital x Flex Covariance matrix of regression parameter estimates: constant Digital Flex Int 1 .3611 -.0992 .0268 -.0988 constant

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Flex	Σ	0992	2	.0259	.03	316	0082	
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Conditional effects of the focal predictor at values of the moderator(s):

	Flex	Effect	se	t	р	LLCI
ULCI						
3	.2342	.1591	.0624	2.5495	.0115	.0360
.2821						
3	.8594	.0705	.0659	1.0702	.2858	0594
.2005						
4	.4846	0180	.0817	2206	.8256	1792
.1431						

Moderator value(s) defining Johnson-Neyman significance region(s): Value % below % above 3.4934 17.7340 82.2660

Conditional	effect of focal	predictor	at values	of the mod	derator:
Flex	Effect	se	t	р	LLCI
ULCI					
1.0000	.4756	.1330	3.5749	.0004	.2132
.7379					
1.1900	.4487	.1248	3.5937	.0004	.2025
.6949					
1.3800	.4218	.1168	3.6098	.0004	.1914
.6522					
1.5700	.3948	.1090	3.6213	.0004	.1798
.6099					
1.7600	.3679	.1015	3.6253	.0004	.1678
.5681					
1.9500	.3410	.0943	3.6177	.0004	.1551
.5269					
2.1400	.3141	.0874	3.5922	.0004	.1417
.4865					
2.3300	.2872	.0811	3.5404	.0005	.1272
.4471					
2.5200	.2603	.0754	3.4510	.0007	.1115
.4090					

2.7100	.2334	.0705	3.3099	.0011	.0943
.3724					
2.9000	.2064	.0665	3.1027	.0022	.0752
.3376					
3.0900	.1795	.0637	2.8182	.0053	.0539
.3051					
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.2752					
3.4700	.1257	.0620	2.0279	.0439	.0035
.2479					
3.4934	.1224	.0621	1.9720	.0500	.0000
.2448					
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.2234					
3.8500	.0719	.0657	1.0931	.2757	0578
.2015					
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.1819					
4.2300	.0180	.0742	.2433	.8081	1282
.1643					
4.4200	0089	.0797	1114	.9114	1660
.1483					
4.6100	0358	.0859	4168	.6773	2051
.1335					
4.8000	0627	.0926	6772	.4990	2453
.1199					

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4.44	16 3.	8594	4.1647				
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Perfo Model Summary R-sq MSE F R df1 df2 р .5703 .3253 .1447 23.8625 4.0000 198.0000 .0000 Model coeff se t LLCI р ULCI 1.5270 .4630 3.2980 .0012 constant .6139 2.4401 Digital .2954 .1410 2.0951 .0374 .0173 .5734 .1448 .0545 2.6552 .0086 .0373 Engag .2523 .1498 -.0071 Flex .2884 1.9249 .0557 .5839 .0386 Int 1 -.0349 -.9042 .3670 -.1109 .0412 Product terms key: Digital x Flex Int 1 : Covariance matrix of regression parameter estimates: constant Digital Int 1 Engag Flex -.0594 .0014 -.0603 constant .2144 .0161 .0199 .0174 -.0594 -.0018 -.0051 Digital Engag .0014 -.0018 .0030 -.0033 .0004 -.0603 .0174 .0224 -.0033 Flex -.0053 .0015 Int 1 .0161 -.0051 .0004 -.0053 Test(s) of X by M interaction: F df1 df2 р .1953 1.0000 197.0000 .6591 Test(s) of highest order unconditional interaction(s): R2-chng F df1 df2 р .0028 .8176 1.0000 198.0000 X*W .3670 _____ Focal predict: Digital (X) Mod var: Flex (W)

OUTCOME VARIABLE:

Data for visualizing the conditional effect of the focal predictor: Paste text below into a SPSS syntax window and execute to produce plot. DATA LIST FREE/ Flex Perfo Digital • BEGIN DATA. 3.2342 3.1730 3.6320 3.2342 3.7479 3.8073 3.2342 3.8637 4.4416 3.1730 3.8594 3.7432 3.8073 3.8594 3.8452 3.8594 3.9472 4.4416 4.4846 3.8543 3.1730 3.8073 4.4846 3.9425 4.4416 4.4846 4.0307 END DATA. GRAPH/SCATTERPLOT= Digital WITH Perfo BY Flex ***************** CORRELATIONS BETWEEN MODEL RESIDUALS * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * Engag Perfo 1.0000 .0000 Engag Perfo .0000 1.0000 ***** Conditional direct effect(s) of X on Y: Flex Effect se t LLCI р ULCI 3.2342 .1826 .0488 3.7435 .0002 .0864 .2788 3.8594 .1608 .0508 3.1628 .0018 .0605 .2611 4.4846 .1390 .0629 2.2109 .0282 .0150 .2630 Conditional indirect effects of X on Y: INDIRECT EFFECT: Digital -> Engag -> Perfo BootSE BootLLCI BootULCI Flex Effect 3.2342 .0230 -.0058 .0646 .0181 3.8594 .0102 .0136 -.0125 .0423 4,4846 -.0026 .0147 -.0341 .0284 Index of moderated mediation: Index BootSE BootLLCI BootULCI -.0205 .0150 -.0492 .0120 Flex

Pairwise contrasts between conditional indirect effects (Effect1 minus Effect2)

.0075
.0150
.0075

Level of confidence for all confidence intervals in output: 95.0000

Number of bootstrap samples for percentile bootstrap confidence intervals: 5000

W values in conditional tables are the mean and +/- SD from the mean.

NOTE: Standardized coefficients not available for models with moderators.

----- END MATRIX -----





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Run MATRIX procedure:
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************** PROCESS Procedure for SPSS Version 4.0
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        Written by Andrew F. Hayes, Ph.D.
                                         www.afhayes.com
   Documentation available in Hayes (2022).
www.guilford.com/p/hayes3
*****
Model
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     : Digital
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      : Engag
   М
   W
      : Flex
Sample
Size: 203
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***** OUTCOME VARIABLE: Engag Model Summary MSE F df1 df2 R R-sq р .6842 .4682 .2445 58.3972 3.0000 199.0000 .0000 Model coeff se t LLCI р ULCI constant -.4865 .6009 -.8096 .4191 -1.6714 .6984 Digital .1780 3.4679 .0006 .2663 .6172 .9682 Flex 1.1240 .1777 6.3243 .0000 .7735 1.4744 Int 1 -.1417 .0491 -2.8842 .0044 -.2385 -.0448 Product terms key: Int 1 Digital x Flex : Covariance matrix of regression parameter estimates: constant Digital Flex Int 1 -.0988 -.0992 .0268 constant .3611 -.0988 .0317 .0259 -.0082 Digital Flex -.0992 .0259 .0316 -.0082 -.0082 -.0082 Int 1 .0268 .0024 Test(s) of highest order unconditional interaction(s): R2-chng F df1 df2 р X*W .0222 8.3184 1.0000 199.0000 .0044 _____ Focal predict: Digital (X) Mod var: Flex (W) Conditional effects of the focal predictor at values of the moderator(s): Flex Effect LLCI se t р

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3.8073	3.8594	4.1200			
4.4416	3.8594	4.164/			
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Model Summar	У				
R	R-sq	MSE	F	df1	df2
р		1 0 0 0			1
.0000	.5097	.1968	51.4614	4.0000	198.0000
Model					
	coeff	se	t	р	LLCI
ULCI					
constant	9650	.5400	-1.7871	.0755	-2.0298
.0999					
Digital	.9842	.1644	5.9851	.0000	.6599
1.3084					
Engag	.2445	.0636	3.8445	.0002	.1191
.3699		1 - 4 -	4 2700	0000	4104
FIEX	./640	• 1 / 4 /	4.3/22	.0000	.4194
T.TAA0					

Int 1 -.1755 .0450 -3.9018 .0001 -.2642 -.0868 Product terms key: Int 1 : Digital x Flex Covariance matrix of regression parameter estimates: constant Digital Int 1 Engag Flex .2916 -.0807 .0020 -.0821 .0219 constant -.0807 .0270 Digital -.0025 .0237 -.0070 .0020 .0040 -.0025 -.0045 Engag .0006 .0237 .0305 Flex -.0821 -.0045 -.0072 .0006 .0219 -.0070 -.0072 Int 1 .0020 Test(s) of X by M interaction: df1 F df2 р 1.0000 197.0000 .1037 .7478 Test(s) of highest order unconditional interaction(s): R2-chng F df1 df2 р .0377 15.2239 1.0000 198.0000 .0001 X*W _____ Focal predict: Digital (X) Mod var: Flex (W) Conditional effects of the focal predictor at values of the moderator(s): Flex Effect t LLCI se р ULCI 3.2342 .4166 .0569 7.3228 .0000 .3044 .5288 .0593 5.1754 .0000 .1900 3.8594 .3069 .4238 4.4846 .1972 .0733 2.6890 .0078 .0526 .3418 Moderator value(s) defining Johnson-Neyman significance region(s): Value % below % above 4.7076 97.5369 2.4631 Conditional effect of focal predictor at values of the moderator: Flex Effect se t LLCI р ULCI 1.0000 .8087 .1231 6.5678 .0000 .5659 1.0515 1.1900 .7753 .1156 6.7077 .0000 .5474 1.0033

1.3800	.7420	.1082	6.8577	.0000	.5286
1.5700	.7086	.1010	7.0169	.0000	.5095
1.7600	.6753	.0940	7.1833	.0000	.4899
.8607 1.9500	.6420	.0873	7.3530	.0000	.4698
.8141 2.1400	.6086	.0810	7.5184	.0000	.4490
.7683 2.3300	.5753	.0750	7.6673	.0000	.4273
.7232 2.5200	.5419	.0697	7.7799	.0000	.4046
.6793 2.7100	.5086	.0650	7.8283	.0000	.3805
.6367 2.9000	.4753	.0611	7.7756	.0000	.3547
.5958 3.0900	.4419	.0583	7.5826	.0000	.3270
.5568 3.2800	.4086	.0566	7.2187	.0000	.2970
.5202 3.4700	.3752	.0562	6.6789	.0000	.2644
3.6600	.3419	.0571	5.9922	.0000	.2294
3.8500	.3085	.0592	5.2152	.0000	.1919
4.0400	.2752	.0624	4.4117	.0000	.1522
4.2300	.2419	.0665	3.6345	.0004	.1106
4.4200	.2085	.0715	2.9166	.0039	.0675
4.6100	.1752	.0771	2.2728	.0241	.0232
4.7076	.1580	.0801	1.9720	.0500	.0000
4.8000 .3058	.1418	.0832	1.7055	.0897	0222

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DATA LIST FR	EE/	
Digital	Flex	TP
BEGIN DATA.		
3.1730	3.2342	3.8288

3.8073	3.2342	4.0931			
4.4416	3.2342	4.3573			
3.1730	3.8594	3.9583			
3.8073	3.8594	4.1530			
4.4416	3.8594	4.3477			
3,1730	4.4846	4.0879			
3 8073	4 4846	4 2130			
4 4416	4 4846	4 3380			
	1.1010	1.0000			
CBADH / CCAMM.	FRDIOT=				
Digital W		PV	Floy		
Digital W		DI	LTEY	•	
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	Engag	ΨP			
Engag 1	0000	0000			
TP Ingag	0000 1	0000			
* * * * * * * * * * * *	***** DIRE	CT AND INDI	RECT EFFECT	S OF X ON Y	
* * * * * * * * * * * *	*****				
Conditional	direct effe	ect(s) of X	on Y:		
Flex	Effect	se	t	q	LLCI
ULCI				±	
3.2342	.4166	.0569	7.3228	.0000	.3044
.5288					
3.8594	.3069	.0593	5.1754	.0000	.1900
.4238					
4,4846	.1972	.0733	2,6890	.0078	.0526
.3418	• = • • =	•••••••	2.0000	••••	
Conditional	indirect ef	fects of X	on Y:		
001101202011012					
INDIRECT EF	FECT:				
Digital	-> Enga	ia ->	ΤP		
Flex	Effect	BootSE	BootLLCI	BootULCI	
3.2342	.0389	.0287	0081	.1077	
3.8594	.0172	.0224	0186	.0706	
4 4846	- 0044	0236	- 0496	0469	
0101.1	.0011	.0250	.0190	.0405	
Index	of moderate	d mediation	•		
T	ndex Boc	tSE Bootl	LCT Bootii	ГСТ	
Flex -	0346 r	1221 <u>–</u> 0	757 0	153	
	•••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••	•••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••			
Pairwise c	ontrasts bet	ween condit	ional indir	ect effects	(Effect1
minus Effec	t2)	3 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0			,0001

Effect1 Effect2 Contrast BootSE BootLLCI BootULCI

.0172 0044 0044	.0389 .0389 .0172	0217 0433 0217	.0138 .0276 .0138	0473 0947 0473	.0096 .0191 .0096
* * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *	***** <u>A</u> ******	NALYSIS NOTE	ES AND ERRO	DRS	
Level of confide 95.0000	ence for a	ll confidenc	ce interva	ls in output	:
Number of bootst intervals: 5000	crap sampl	es for perce	entile boot	tstrap confi	dence
W values in conc mean.	litional t	ables are th	ne mean and	d +/- SD fro	m the
NOTE: Standardiz	zed coeffi	cients not a	available :	for models w	ith

----- END MATRIX -----





Run MATRIX procedure:

************** PROCESS Procedure for SPSS Version 4.0 ***** Written by Andrew F. Hayes, Ph.D. www.afhayes.com Documentation available in Hayes (2022). www.guilford.com/p/hayes3 ***** Model : 8 : CP Y : Digital Х : Engag М W : Flex Sample Size: 203

***** OUTCOME VARIABLE: Engag Model Summary MSE F df1 df2 R R-sq р .6842 .4682 .2445 58.3972 3.0000 199.0000 .0000 Model coeff se t LLCI р ULCI constant -.4865 .6009 -.8096 .4191 -1.6714 .6984 Digital .1780 3.4679 .0006 .2663 .6172 .9682 Flex 1.1240 .1777 6.3243 .0000 .7735 1.4744 Int 1 -.1417 .0491 -2.8842 .0044 -.2385 -.0448 Product terms key: Int 1 Digital x Flex : Covariance matrix of regression parameter estimates: constant Digital Flex Int 1 -.0988 -.0992 .0268 constant .3611 -.0988 .0317 .0259 -.0082 Digital Flex -.0992 .0259 .0316 -.0082 -.0082 -.0082 Int 1 .0268 .0024 Test(s) of highest order unconditional interaction(s): R2-chng F df1 df2 р X*W .0222 8.3184 1.0000 199.0000 .0044 _____ Focal predict: Digital (X) Mod var: Flex (W) Conditional effects of the focal predictor at values of the moderator(s): Flex Effect LLCI se t р

ULCI					
3.2342	.1591	.0624	2.5495	.0115	.0360
.2821					
3.8594	.0705	.0659	1.0702	.2858	0594
.2005					

.1432	4.484 1	6	0180		.0817	22	06	• {	8256	-	.1792
Mode	rator Valu 3.493	value(s) e % b 4 17.	defi elow 7340	ning % 82	Johnson-N above 2.2660	eyman	signi	lfica	ance	regio	n(s):
Cond	itiona Fle	l effect x Ef	of f fect	ocal	predictor se	at v	alues t	oft	the n p	nodera	tor: LLCI
.7379	1.000	0.	4756		.1330	3.57	49	• (0004		.2132
.694	1.190 9	0.	4487		.1248	3.59	37	• (0004		.2025
.6522	1.380 2	0.	4218		.1168	3.60	98	• (0004		.1914
.609	1.570 9	0.	3948		.1090	3.62	13	• (0004		.1798
.5682	1.760 1	0.	3679		.1015	3.62	53	• (0004		.1678
.526	1.950 9	0.	3410		.0943	3.61	77	• (0004		.1551
.486	2.140 5	0.	3141		.0874	3.59	22	• (0004		.1417
.4471	2.330 1	0.	2872		.0811	3.54	04	. (0005		.1272
.4090	2.520 0	0.	2603		.0754	3.45	10	. (0007		.1115
.3724	2.710 4	0.	2334		.0705	3.30	99	• (0011		.0943
.337	2.900 6	0.	2064		.0665	3.10	27	• (0022		.0752
.3052	3.090 1	0.	1795		.0637	2.81	82	• (0053		.0539
.2752	3.280 2	0.	1526		.0622	2.45	55	• (0149		.0301
.247	3.470 9	0.	1257		.0620	2.02	79	• (0439		.0035
.2448	3.493 8	4.	1224		.0621	1.97	20	• (0500		.0000
.2234	3.660 4	0.	0988		.0632	1.56	28	• -	1197	-	.0259
.201	3.850 5	0.	0719		.0657	1.09	31	• 2	2757	-	.0578
.1819	4.040	0.	0450		.0695	.64	72	•	5182	_	.0920
.1643	4.230 3	0.	0180		.0742	.24	33	• 8	8081	_	.1282

4.4200	0089	.0797	1114	.9114	1660
.1483					
4.6100	0358	.0859	4168	.6773	2051
.1335					
4.8000	0627	.0926	6772	.4990	2453
.1199					

DATA LIST FRE	E/				
Digital	Flex	Engag	•		
BEGIN DATA.					
3.1730	3.2342	3.6535			
3.8073	3.2342	3.7545			
4.4416	3.2342	3.8554			
3.1730	3.8594	4.0752			
3.8073	3.8594	4.1200			
4.4416	3.8594	4.1647			
3.1730	4.4846	4.4969			
3.8073	4.4846	4.4855			
4.4416	4.4846	4.4741			
END DATA.					
GRAPH/SCATTER	PLOT=				
Digital WIT	H Engag	BY	Flex	•	
CP Model Summary	D og	MCE	F	d f 1	df0
r n	K-SQ	MSE	Ľ	all	Q12
7171	5142	1991	52 3942	4 0000	198 0000
.0000	.0112	• 1 9 9 1		1.0000	190.0000
Model					
	coeff	se	t	р	LLCI
ULCI					
constant	.1183	.5431	.2179	.8278	9528
1.1894					
Digital	.3641	.1654	2.2012	.0289	.0379
.6902					
Engag	.2495	.0640	3.8999	.0001	.1233
.3756					
Flex	.6531	.1758	3.7159	.0003	.3065
.9997					

Int 1 -.0659 .0452 -1.4566 .1468 -.1551 .0233 Product terms key: Int 1 : Digital x Flex Covariance matrix of regression parameter estimates: constant Digital Engag Flex Int 1 .2950 -.0817 .0020 -.0830 .0221 constant -.0817 .0274 -.0025 .0240 Digital -.0070 .0020 .0041 -.0025 -.0046 .0006 Engag .0240 .0309 Flex -.0830 -.0046 -.0073 .0006 .0221 -.0070 -.0073 .0020 Int 1 Test(s) of X by M interaction: df1 F df2 р 5.7690 1.0000 197.0000 .0172 Test(s) of highest order unconditional interaction(s): R2-chnq F df1 df2 р 2.1218 1.0000 198.0000 .1468 X*W .0052 _____ Focal predict: Digital (X) Mod var: Flex (W) Data for visualizing the conditional effect of the focal predictor: Paste text below into a SPSS syntax window and execute to produce plot. DATA LIST FREE/

DATA LISI FREI	- /		
Digital	Flex	CP	•
BEGIN DATA.			
3.1730	3.2342	3.7310	
3.8073	3.2342	3.8267	
4.4416	3.2342	3.9225	
3.1730	3.8594	4.0086	
3.8073	3.8594	4.0782	
4.4416	3.8594	4.1478	
3.1730	4.4846	4.2862	
3.8073	4.4846	4.3297	
4.4416	4.4846	4.3731	
END DATA.			
GRAPH/SCATTER!	PLOT=		
Digital WITH	H CP	BY	Flex

Engag CP

1.0000 .0000 Engag .0000 1.0000 СΡ * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * Conditional direct effect(s) of X on Y: Flex Effect se t LLCI р ULCI .1509 .0572 2.6378 .0090 3.2342 .0381 .2638 3.8594 .1097 .0596 1.8400 .0673 -.0079 .2274 4.4846 .0686 .0738 .9294 .3538 -.0769 .2140 Conditional indirect effects of X on Y: INDIRECT EFFECT: Digital -> Engag -> CP Flex Effect BootSE BootLLCI BootULCI .0397 -.0094 .0900 3.2342 .0247 .0207 -.0245 3.8594 .0176 .0594 4.4846 -.0045 .0241 -.0567 .0408 Index of moderated mediation: Index BootSE BootLLCI BootULCI -.0353 .0207 -.0713 Flex .0142 Pairwise contrasts between conditional indirect effects (Effect1 minus Effect2) Effect1 Effect2 Contrast BootSE BootLLCI BootULCI .0129 -.0446 .0089 .0176 .0397 -.0221 -.0045 .0397 -.0442 .0258 -.0891 .0178 -.0221 .0129 -.0045 .0176 -.0446 .0089 _ _ _ ******************** ANALYSIS NOTES AND ERRORS Level of confidence for all confidence intervals in output: 95.0000 Number of bootstrap samples for percentile bootstrap confidence intervals: 5000

W values in conditional tables are the mean and +/- SD from the mean.

NOTE: Standardized coefficients not available for models with moderators.

----- END MATRIX -----





Run MATRIX procedure:

**************** PROCESS Procedure for SPSS Version 4.0

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*****
Model
  : 8
   : CB
 Υ
   : Digital
 Х
   : Engag
 М
 W
   : Flex
Sample
Size:
   203
*****
OUTCOME VARIABLE:
Engag
Model Summary
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~	R	R-sq	MSE	F	df1	df2
.0000 ·	6842	.4682	.2445	58.3972	3.0000	199.0000
Model						
ULCI		coeff	se	t	р	LLCI
constan	nt	4865	.6009 -	.8096	.4191	-1.6714
Digital		.6172	.1780 3	8.4679	.0006	.2663
Flex 1 4744		1.1240	.1777 6	5.3243	.0000	.7735
Int_1 0448		1417	.0491 -2	.8842	.0044	2385
Product Int_1	term:	s key: Digit	al x	Flex		
Covaria constan Digital Flex	nce ma co nt	atrix of reg onstant D .3611 0988 0992	ression para igital 0988 - .0317 .0259	meter estin Flex .0992 .0259 .0316	mates: Int_1 .0268 0082 0082	
Int_1		.0268	0082 -	.0082	.0024	
Test(s) X*W	of h: R2-ch: .022	ighest order ng 22 8.318	uncondition F df1 4 1.0000	al interac df 199.000	tion(s): 2 0 .00	р)44
Foc	al pro Moo	edict: Digit d var: Flex	al (X) (W)			
Conditi moderat	onal (cor(s)	effects of t :	he focal pre	edictor at ·	values of	the
шст	Flex	Effect	se	t	р	LLCI
3.	2342	.1591	.0624	2.5495	.0115	.0360
.2821	8594	.0705	.0659	1.0702	.2858	0594
.2005 4. .1431	4846	0180	.0817	2206	.8256	1792
Moderat	or va	lue(s) defin	ing Johnson-	Neyman sig	nificance	region(s):

Value % below % above 3.4934 17.7340 82.2660

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Conditional Flex	effect of focal	predictor	at values	of the mo	derator:
ULCI		50	C	P	
1.0000	.4756	.1330	3.5749	.0004	.2132
1.1900	.4487	.1248	3.5937	.0004	.2025
.6949 1.3800	.4218	.1168	3.6098	.0004	.1914
.6522 1.5700	.3948	.1090	3.6213	.0004	.1798
.6099 1.7600	.3679	.1015	3.6253	.0004	.1678
.5681 1.9500	.3410	.0943	3.6177	.0004	.1551
.5269 2.1400	.3141	.0874	3.5922	.0004	.1417
.4865 2.3300	.2872	.0811	3.5404	.0005	.1272
.4471 2.5200	.2603	.0754	3.4510	.0007	.1115
.4090 2.7100	.2334	.0705	3.3099	.0011	.0943
.3724 2.9000	.2064	.0665	3.1027	.0022	.0752
.3376 3.0900	.1795	.0637	2.8182	.0053	.0539
.3051 3.2800	.1526	.0622	2.4555	.0149	.0301
.2752 3.4700	.1257	.0620	2.0279	.0439	.0035
.2479 3 4934	1224	0621	1 9720	0500	0000
.2448	• 1227	.0021	1.9720	.0000	.0000
3.6600	.0988	.0632	1.5628	.1197	0259
3.8500	.0719	.0657	1.0931	.2757	0578
4.0400	.0450	.0695	.6472	.5182	0920
4.2300	.0180	.0742	.2433	.8081	1282
4.4200	0089	.0797	1114	.9114	1660
4.6100	0358	.0859	4168	.6773	2051
.1335 4.8000 .1199	0627	.0926	6772	.4990	2453

DATA LIST FRE	EE/						
Digital	Flex	Engag	•				
BEGIN DATA.							
3.1730	3.2342	3.6535					
3.8073	3.2342	3.7545					
4.4416	3.2342	3.8554					
3.1730	3.8594	4.0752					
3.8073	3.8594	4.1200					
4.4416	3.8594	4.1647					
3.1730	4.4846	4.4969					
3.8073	4.4846	4.4855					
4.4416	4.4846	4.4741					
END DATA.							
GRAPH/SCATTER	RPLOT=						
Digital WIT	TH Engag	BY	Flex	•			
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OUTCOME VARIA	ABLE:						
CB							
Model Summary	/						
R	R-sq	MSE		F df1	df2		
р							
.2479	.0614	.9182	3.240	7 4.0000	198.0000		
.0133							
Model							
	coeff	se	t	р	LLCI		
ULCI							
constant	.1178	1.1664	.1010	.9197	-2.1824		
2.4180							
Digital	.5053	.3552	1.4225	.1565	1952		
1.2057							
Engag	.1191	.1374	.8668	.3871	1518		
.3900							
Flex	.7791	.3775	2.0640	.0403	.0347		
1.5234							
Int_1	1564	.0972	-1.6101	.1090	3480		
.0352							
Product terms key:							
Int_1 :	Digit	al x	Flex				
Covariance matrix of regression parameter estimates:							

Digital Engag Flex Int 1 constant -.3768 .0092 .1021 constant 1.3606 -.3829 .1262 -.0116 -.0324 Digital -.3768 .1105 .0092 -.0116 .0189 -.0212 .0027 Engag Flex -.3829 .1105 -.0212 .1425 -.0337 Int 1 .1021 -.0324 .0027 -.0337 .0094 Test(s) of X by M interaction: df1 F df2 р 1.0000 1.7209 197.0000 .1911 Test(s) of highest order unconditional interaction(s): R2-chnq F df1 df2 р X*W .0123 2.5926 1.0000 198.0000 .1090 _____ Focal predict: Digital (X) Mod var: Flex (W) Data for visualizing the conditional effect of the focal predictor: Paste text below into a SPSS syntax window and execute to produce plot. DATA LIST FREE/ Digital Flex CB BEGIN DATA. 3,1730 3.2342 3.1229 3.8073 3.2342 3.1225 4.4416 3.2342 3.1221 3.8594 3.1730 3.2997 3.8594 3.2372 3.8073 4.4416 3.8594 3.1748 4.4846 3.1730 3.4764 3.8073 4.4846 3.3519 4.4416 4.4846 3.2274 END DATA. GRAPH/SCATTERPLOT= Digital WITH СВ ΒY Flex ****************** CORRELATIONS BETWEEN MODEL RESIDUALS * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * Engag СВ 1.0000 .0000 Engag .0000 1.0000 СВ ********************* DIRECT AND INDIRECT EFFECTS OF X ON Y * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * Conditional direct effect(s) of X on Y:

Flex Effect t se LLCI р ULCI -.0053 .9958 3.2342 -.0007 .1229 -.2430 .2417 3.8594 -.0985 .1281 -.7686 .4430 -.3510 .1541 -.1962 .1584 -1.2389 4.4846 .2168 -.5086 .1161 Conditional indirect effects of X on Y: INDIRECT EFFECT: Digital -> Engag -> CB Flex Effect BootSE BootLLCI BootULCI .0189 .0250 .0710 3.2342 -.0308 3.8594 .0084 .0160 -.0219 .0435 -.0394 4.4846 -.0021 .0154 .0277 Index of moderated mediation: Index BootSE BootLLCI BootULCI -.0169 .0211 -.0593 .0252 Flex Pairwise contrasts between conditional indirect effects (Effect1 minus Effect2) Effect1 Effect2 Contrast BootSE BootLLCI BootULCI .0132 -.0371 .0084 .0189 -.0105 .0158 -.0021 .0189 -.0211 .0264 -.0741 .0316 .0084 -.0021 -.0105 .0132 -.0371 .0158 _ _ _ ************************ ANALYSTS NOTES AND ERRORS Level of confidence for all confidence intervals in output: 95.0000 Number of bootstrap samples for percentile bootstrap confidence intervals: 5000 W values in conditional tables are the mean and +/- SD from the mean. NOTE: Standardized coefficients not available for models with moderators. ----- END MATRIX -----




For How many Years do you work there ?



What is the size of your company ?



Which Industry do you work ?



What is your highest Educational Degree ?



What is your Gender ?



