Replication Guide – Validation Party Positions

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This validation guide assists to reproduce the results in Table 3 and Table 2 in the article as well as the Table 5 of the RED Codebook.

- Table 3 reports convergence validity of different approaches to measure party positions on the country level.
- Table 2 (Table 5) reports convergence validity of party positions on the country and regional level for the same party.

In order to reproduce the results of Table 3, you need to do the following:

1. Generation of Item-reponse based positions on the country level and convergent validity:
    a. For this reproduction two datasets are necessary:
        1. the cmp/marpor data version 2023a (Lehmann et al. 2023)
        Link: https://manifesto-project.wzb.eu/datasets?archived=yes

        2. The CHES trend file 1999-2019 (Jolly et al. 2022).
        Link: https://www.chesdata.eu/ches-europe

    Please save the datasets in your working directory!

2. One replication code written in Stata reproduces the item response based positions and calculates the convergence validity across measure (Table 3 in RED Codebook).

    File: replication_positions_Table_3.do **Link:** https://dataverse.harvard.edu/dataverse/mld

    The file is written to work with STATA Version 14.

Please adjust the file paths and run the code.

In order to reproduce the results of Table 2 (Table 5 in the RED Codebook), you need to do the following:

a. For this reproduction three datasets are necessary.
    1. subset_region.dta
    2. subset_national.dta
    3. merged_pos.rds

Files: https://dataverse.harvard.edu/dataverse/mld

Please save the datasets in your working directory!

A Quarto-file provides the code for validation of the correlations in Table 5 of the RED Codebook.

File: Replication_positions_Table_5.qmd **Link:** https://dataverse.harvard.edu/dataverse/mld

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