

Action Taken Report

Response to the External Examiner

As per suggestions made by the external examiner in his/her comments in point numbers 1-3, the following are the modifications made in the thesis:

1. Actions taken on the general comments on write-up:

- i. Fehr and Charness (2023) made an extensive survey on experimental results of student samples and nationally representative samples from different studies. The survey results are summarized and presented as a proof for the presence of other-regardingness in human subjects. Their finding that inequity-averseness and spitefulness/envy is more common in nationally representative samples than in student samples is also mentioned. This has been added in Chapter 1 (Section 1.3).
- ii. The term 'benign principal' has been explained properly before going into the technical specification in pages 20-21 (Chapter 2, Section 2.3.1).

2. Changes made in the literature and referencing:

- i. Contribution of the existing studies, especially the seminal ones are mentioned properly. The findings and functional structure of Fehr and Schmidt (1999) has been stated more clearly in page 14 (under Chapter 2, Section 2.1).
- ii. A more recent survey of other-regarding preferences done by Fehr and Charness (2023) has been added in page 6 (Chapter 1, Section 1.3).
- iii. A thorough checking is done for the references. All the papers cited in the text are added in the reference list. Sanyal and Hisam (2018) is included in the reference list in page 120 (Section: References).
- iv. The mix of formats Harvard referencing and the APA referencing (both in the reference list and within the text) has been changed into a consistent referencing style. Changes have been made in page 116 (Section: References). Other similar changes have been made throughout the thesis.

3. Actions taken on the general comments on expositional/typographical errors:

The expositional, typographical, grammatical, wrong capitalization, inconsistent formatting, and other errors in the whole thesis has been rectified. Grammatical errors in page 4 (Chapter 1, Section 1.2) and 89 (Chapter 5, Section 5.1) have been rectified. Typographical errors in page 6 (Chapter 1, Section 1.3) and 16 (Chapter 2, Section 2.2) have been corrected. Other changes suggested by the reviewer related to referencing have been done throughout the entire thesis.