18-H: the Authenticity of Corporate Social Responsibility Actions on Brand Symbolism

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4-M: Psychological Antecedents of Luxury Brand Purchase Intent in Asian Market

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Despite of much attention given to the penchant for luxury consumption among Asian consumers our understanding on the underlying psychological reasons of this phenomenon is limited. The primary purpose of the current research was to explore culture-relevant psychological correlates of luxury brand purchase intent based on social consumption related theories.

8-A: Attenuating Money Illusion? How Personalization Affects the Consideration of Inflation in the Consumers’ Financial Planning

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We study how letting consumers construct their personal inflation rate affects the consideration of inflation in the long-term financial planning. We find that the personalization is not beneficial: The complex elicitation procedure reduces the subjective knowledge about inflation which induces consumers to care less about inflation in their financial planning.

9-AA: What Did You Eat at School Today? The Influence of Preschool on Children’s Food Consumption

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This observational study shows significant differences across classrooms in the consumption of condiments vegetables grain and protein in publicly funded preschools. We theorize several possible mediators of this “classroom effect” on consumption. This research aids in the understanding of food socialization and has public policy implications for early childhood programs.

2-Y: Uncommon Beauty: Disabled Models in Ads Improve Brand Liking

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Two studies demonstrate that advertisements involving a disabled model increase brand liking. A first study demonstrates the main effect using as stimuli female disabled models. A second study replicates this result in the lab using both female and male models and tests for political correctness by measuring respondents’ response times.

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