**README – Improving Peer Online Forums Survey Data**

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Files Included

**Codebook\_iPOF\_survey\_t123\_core\_v1.4.docx.** This document provides a detailed description of the survey dataset, including each variable and how it was scored.

**iPOF\_survey\_t123\_core\_v1.1.** This dataset contains the survey results from the 791 participants. The data from all three timepoints is included, with each row representing one participant and the columns represent the variables and survey measures. For a detailed description of each variable, please refer to the Codebook. There are three formats of this dataset: .csv, .dta and .sav. These are compatible with Excel, R, and SPSS, respectively.

These files were uploaded to PURE on 12th March 2025.

There are no restrictions on the access to this dataset.

Methodology

Recruitment for time 1 began at the end of June 2023 and concluded at the end of March 2024. Following this period, data collection for follow-up continued for an additional three months, ending in June 2024. The follow-up surveys were conducted at six- and twelve-week intervals based on participants’ time 1 completion dates.

This data was collected through an online survey, using REDCap, hosted at Lancaster University, United Kingdom. The protocol was published on the Open Science Foundation: <https://osf.io/f894u>.

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Further detail on the methods used to clean the dataset can be found in the Codebook.