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Online Behavioral Dynamics of Psychological Harm: Technology-Facilitated Abuse

Message from the Guest Editors

The digital arena has become a double-edged sword; on the one hand, it offers unprecedented opportunities for communication and social interaction, while on the other, it serves as a new platform for perpetrating various forms of abuse. These abuses range from image-based sexual abuse to sophisticated cyberbullying and manipulation tactics that exploit the anonymity and reach of the internet.

This Special Issue aims to gather empirical research, theoretical contributions, and methodological advancements that address the prevention and identification of, and response to, technology-facilitated abuse. Contributions may explore, but are not limited to, the psychological profiles of perpetrators, the social and legal ramifications of digital abuse, and the effectiveness of current interventions and policies aimed at mitigating such abuse. We encourage submissions that employ diverse methodologies including quantitative, qualitative, and mixed-methods approaches.

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