*Cover Letter*

Dear Editor,

We would like to submit the attached manuscript entitled "Ensuring the cross-group comparability of latent variable models for ranking data with the EPC-interest" for consideration for publication in the special issue of *Political Analysis* on “Measurement invariance in cross-national studies”, edited by Eldad Davidov, Bengt Muthén and Peter Schmidt.

The manuscript includes only original material that has not been published and that is not being submitted elsewhere.

Sincerely,

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