

Online Professional Networking Survey Template

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Think about your online professional networking during the past three months, including professional communities and career-focused platforms. All questions are optional. Do not name contacts, employers or private groups in written answers.

1. What is your main reason for using an online professional network?

- ☐ Learn from peers
- ☐ Find career opportunities
- ☐ Seek professional advice
- ☐ Find collaborators
- ☐ Maintain existing relationships
- ☐ Share expertise
- ☐ Another reason
- ☐ I do not currently use one

2. How often did you take part in an online professional conversation during the past three months?

- ☐ Several times a week
- ☐ About once a week
- ☐ A few times a month
- ☐ Less than once a month
- ☐ Never
- ☐ Not sure

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3. How comfortable are you starting a professional conversation with someone you do not know well?

- ☐ Very uncomfortable
- ☐ Somewhat uncomfortable
- ☐ Neither comfortable nor uncomfortable
- ☐ Somewhat comfortable
- ☐ Very comfortable
- ☐ Not applicable

4. Which kind of interaction was most useful to you during the past three months?

- ☐ Advice from an existing contact
- ☐ Conversation with a new contact
- ☐ Group discussion
- ☐ Introduction by another person
- ☐ Shared resource or post
- ☐ Another interaction
- ☐ None
- ☐ Not sure

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5. What most limits your participation?

- ☐ Limited time
- ☐ Unsure whom to approach
- ☐ Unsure what to say
- ☐ Few relevant discussions
- ☐ Privacy concerns
- ☐ Another barrier
- ☐ Nothing currently limits it
- ☐ Not applicable

6. Without identifying anyone, describe an interaction that helped you with a professional goal.

7. What support would make this network more useful to you?
