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The impact of AI as a mediator on effective communication: enhancing interaction in the digital age

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This research examines the impact of methods of communication and artificial intelligence on the effectiveness of communication in small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) in Bahrain. A quantitative research approach was used to gather data from 211 employees using structured questionnaires. The study used convenience sampling and deployed SmartPLS4 for Partial Least Squares Structural Equation Modeling (PLS-SEM) and SPSS for descriptive statistics analysis. The study examined the impact of different communication strategies (conventional vs. AI-assisted) on communication efficacy. AI was included as a mediating variable in this analysis. The results indicate that communication methods have a substantial impact on AI ($\beta = 0.725$, T -value = 27.612, p -value = 0.000) and communication effectiveness ($\beta = 0.439$, T -value = 9.150, p -value = 0.000). Artificial intelligence (AI) has a role in connecting methods of communication and effectiveness of communication, acting as a mediator with an indirect impact of 0.286. The mediation effect indicates that AI amplifies the influence of communication methods on effectiveness. The study's findings indicate that the combination of AI with strong communication methods greatly improves the effectiveness of communication. Practical consequences include the need for firms to allocate resources toward well-designed methods of communication, ongoing staff education, and the smooth incorporation of artificial intelligence capabilities. Further investigation is needed to examine other settings and additional elements that influence and support these results, in order to confirm and broaden the scope of this study.

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communication methods, artificial intelligence, communication effectiveness, quantitative research, mediation analysis, partial least squares

1 Introduction

In today's digital world, proficient communication is crucial for the success of many activities, including commercial operations, educational pursuits, and personal connections. Effective communication is essential for accomplishing objectives, establishing connections, and maintaining the proper operation of organizational and social systems (Aulia et al., 2024). Nevertheless, conventional means of communication often face constraints in terms of precision, velocity, and shared comprehension (Yin et al., 2024). These constraints may greatly hinder the overall efficacy of communication, resulting in misunderstandings, delays, and diminished satisfaction among the people concerned.

The emergence of artificial intelligence (AI) has resulted in a substantial revolution in the field of communication. AI technologies, with their sophisticated capacities in processing and interpreting extensive quantities of data, provide the ability to tackle several difficulties linked to conventional communication systems. Through the use of artificial intelligence (AI), it becomes feasible to overcome communication barriers, improve precision, and expedite the sharing of information with more accuracy. AI-powered technologies like chatbots, virtual assistants, and natural language processing systems are becoming more and more incorporated into different communication platforms, providing creative ways to enhance connection.

This research attempts to investigate the influence of artificial intelligence (AI) as a mediator on the efficacy of communication. The notion of AI as an intermediary entails using AI technology to streamline and augment communication processes, hence increasing their efficiency and efficacy. AI may act as a mediator to aid in the translation of communications, provide immediate response, and customize communication tactics to accommodate various circumstances and audiences (Cole et al., 2024). This may be especially advantageous in many contexts such as corporate settings, academic institutions, and interpersonal exchanges, where proficient communication is paramount.

The aim of this research aims to investigate the potential of using AI as a mediator to improve interaction in different circumstances. The project will specifically analyze how AI may enhance communication by improving its clarity, speed, and comprehension, thereby enhancing its overall efficacy. The research intends to acquire a thorough knowledge of how AI might revolutionize communication and its impact on future human interaction. The results are anticipated to emphasize the significance of using AI technology to enable more transparent, expedient, and efficient communication in the digital era.

1.1 Research objectives

- 1.11 Evaluate the Effectiveness of AI-Mediated Communication
- 1.12 Identify Key Benefits of AI in Enhancing Communication.
- 1.13 Analyze User Satisfaction with AI-Mediated Communication
- 1.14 Examine the Role of AI in Reducing Communication Barriers

1.2 Hypotheses

Hypothesis 1: AI-mediated communication is more effective than traditional methods in terms of clarity, speed, and understanding.

Hypothesis 2: AI significantly enhances communication effectiveness across various contexts.

Hypothesis 3: Users report higher satisfaction with AI-mediated communication tools compared to traditional methods.

Hypothesis 4: AI-mediated communication significantly reduces barriers like language differences, time constraints, and accessibility issues.

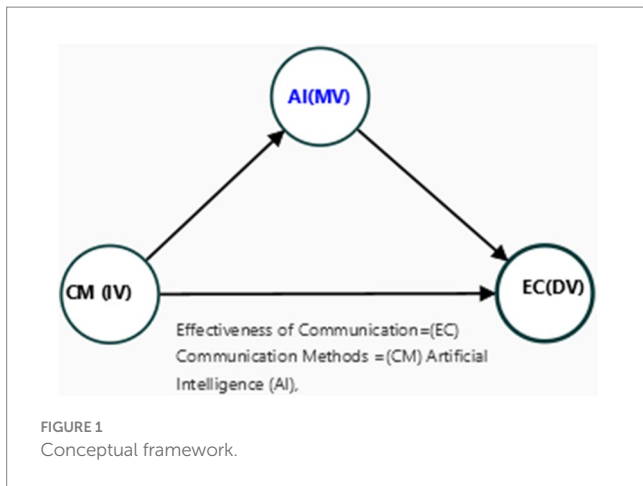
2 Literature review

The use of artificial intelligence (AI) in augmenting communication has attracted substantial interest in recent years. Multiple research projects have explored the capacity of artificial intelligence (AI) to revolutionize communication systems, resulting in improved and streamlined interactions. In their research, Lundström and Granlund (Lundström and Granlund, 2024) investigated the impact of AI-powered chatbots on customer service. They discovered that the use of AI resulted in significant improvements in both response times and customer satisfaction. In a similar vein, Dogan et al., 2023 investigated the use of artificial intelligence (AI) in educational environments. Their research showcased that AI-powered solutions effectively enabled customized learning experiences and enhanced student involvement. Iaia et al. (2024) examined the influence of AI on corporate communication and found that AI-mediated communication resulted in increased efficiency and improved decision-making results. These works jointly emphasize the potential of AI to improve communication in several fields. Nevertheless, there is still a lack of comprehension of the precise function of AI as an intermediary in enhancing the efficiency of communication. Although the advantages of AI in communication have been well demonstrated, several academics contend that the incorporation of AI may potentially provide difficulties. Yu (2024) raise worries on the dependability and ethical consequences of AI-facilitated communication. They propose that excessive dependence on AI might erode human discernment and interpersonal abilities. However, the possible benefits, such as improved clarity, speed, and comprehension, often surpass these worries. In recent years, there has been considerable focus on incorporating artificial intelligence (AI) into methods of communication (Guzman and Lewis, 2020; Vhikai et al., 2024). Research suggests that AI may act as a potent intermediary in improving the efficiency of communication, particularly in online settings. Multiple research have investigated the capacity of artificial intelligence (AI) to enhance relationships by automating repetitive activities, offering immediate feedback, and tailoring communication approaches according to user input (Virvou, 2023; Alkatheiri, 2022; Javaid et al., 2022; Santoro et al., 2024).

An important field of study focuses on the impact of artificial intelligence (AI) on enhancing the effectiveness of communication. AI-driven chatbots and virtual assistants have shown their ability to optimize customer service operations by enhancing response times and elevating consumer stratification (Rane et al., 2024). In addition, AI-powered analytics solutions may assist firms in analyzing vast amounts of communication data to detect patterns and trends, thereby enabling the development of more efficient communication strategies (Santoro et al., 2024; Reddy, 2022).

Another prominent issue in the literature is the influence of AI on the calibre of communication. Research has shown that artificial intelligence (AI) has the ability to improve the clarity and coherence of communications by offering immediate corrections for grammar and style (Fathi et al., 2024). Furthermore, AI has the capability to facilitate multilingual communication via the provision of precise translation services, hence overcoming linguistic obstacles (Muñoz-Basols et al., 2023; Ateeq et al., 2024).

The relationship between AI and communication is further explored via comparative analyses that evaluate the effectiveness of AI-facilitated communication in comparison to conventional



approaches (Zaghool and Khasawneh, 2023; Sahab et al., 2024). These studies usually suggest that AI has the potential to improve both the efficiency and effectiveness of communication. However, they also highlight some problems, such as the need of ethical concerns and the possible danger of excessive dependence on technology (Bednar and Spiekermann, 2024).

In short, the research emphasizes the significant impact of AI in facilitating efficient communication. This study examines the connections between different communication factors and uses rigorous academic methods to provide significant insights into the advantages and difficulties of incorporating AI into digital communication practices. The results indicate that while AI provides significant benefits in terms of productivity and excellence, it is crucial to carefully contemplate the ethical consequences and the need of keeping human supervision in communication procedures (Figure 1).

3 Methodology

This research used quantitative methods to examine the impact of artificial intelligence (AI) as a mediator on effective communication among employees in small and medium-sized firms (SMEs) in Bahrain. We will use a convenience sample method to poll 221 staff members from a total population of 670. The survey assesses the clarity, speed, comprehension, and satisfaction of communication. The independent variable is the method of communication (conventional vs. AI-assisted). In the approach, AI functions as a mediating variable between communication modalities (traditional vs. AI-assisted) and communication efficacy. The research evaluates the impact of AI on understanding and pleasure via attributes such as translation, customization, and efficiency. Researchers collect data from participants to evaluate the impact of AI on communication outcomes.

The software SmartPLS will be used to conduct Partial Least Squares Structural Equation Modeling (PLS-SEM) in order to evaluate the connections between variables (AlBusaidi et al., 2024; Ibrahim et al., 2024). Additionally, SPSS will be used for descriptive statistics, reliability analysis, and initial data screening. The analysis will include computing the means, standard deviations, and frequencies, doing reliability tests, and using PLS-SEM to investigate both direct and indirect effects. Stringent adherence to ethical norms will be implemented to guarantee the preservation of participant

TABLE 1 Distribution of sample characteristics and their ratios.

Respondents' characteristics		N	%
Gender	Male	140	63.3
	Female	81	36
Total		221	
Age	Less than 30 years	11	4.9
	30–39 years	19	8.5
	40–49 years	100	45.2
	50 years or more	91	41.2
Total		221	
Experience	Less than 5 years	28	12.6
	5–10	27	12.2
	10–15	50	22.6
	More than 15 years	116	52.4
Total		221	
Education	High school	36	16.1
	Bachelor's degree	135	61
	Master's degree or higher	50	22.6
Total			

anonymity and the acquisition of informed consent. The objective of this research is to provide valuable insights into how artificial intelligence (AI) might improve communication inside small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) in Bahrain (Tables 1–7).

4 Results

The sample has 221 respondents, with 63.3% being male and 36% being female. The age distribution indicates that 4.9% of the population is under 30, 8.5% is between the ages of 30 and 39, 45.2% is between the ages of 40 and 49, and 41.2% is 50 years old or over. The distribution of experience levels is as follows: 12.6% have less than 5 years of experience, 12.2% have 5–10 years of experience, 22.6% have 10–15 years of experience, and 52.4% have above 15 years of experience. The distribution of educational credentials is as follows: 16.1% have a high school diploma, 61% have a bachelor's degree, and 22.6% have a master's degree or higher (Figure 2).

4.1 Reliability and validity

The constructs' reliability and validity were assessed by employing the techniques of Cronbach's Alpha, Composite Reliability, and Average Variance Extracted (AVE) (AlBusaidi et al., 2024; Ateeq and Ibrahim, 2024). The AI showed strong reliability, as shown by a Cronbach's Alpha coefficient of 0.896 and an Average Variance Extracted (AVE) value of 0.567. The reliability of Communication Methods (CM) was found to be excellent, with a Cronbach's Alpha coefficient of 0.824 and an Average Variance Extracted (AVE) of 0.510. The Communication Effectiveness (EC) measure showed a Cronbach's Alpha coefficient of 0.867 and an Average Variance Extracted (AVE) value of 0.491. The results above the suggested criteria demonstrating

TABLE 2 Reliability and composite reliability.

Construct	Cronbach's alpha	Composite reliability	Average variance extracted (AVE)
AI	0.896	0.907	0.567
CM (IV)	0.824	0.863	0.510
EC (DV)	0.867	0.897	0.491

Artificial intelligence (AI); Communication methods (CM); Communication effectiveness (EC).

TABLE 3 The convergent validity analysis.

Construct	Code	Number of items	Factor loading	CR	AVE
Artificial intelligence	AI	9	0.737	0.907	0.567
Communication methods	CM	7	0.691	0.863	0.510
Communication effectiveness	EC	10	0.672	0.897	0.491

Factor loading: the quantity of variation that the variable explains for that factor; a value of 0.7 or higher is considered acceptable (Alastal et al., 2024). CR measures the general reliability of the scale and is best used with CFA. AVE: the value here shows you the amount of variation an algorithm can cope with; 0.5 is acceptable. AVE stands for "average variance." CR, Composite reliability (Al-Refaei et al., 2024).

TABLE 4 Discriminant validity analysis.

	AI	CM (IV)	EC (DV)
AI	0.753		
CM (IV)	0.725	0.714	
EC (DV)	0.713	0.725	0.701

The square root of the average variance extracted is represented by a diagonal, while the other elements reflect the correlation estimate (Ateeq and Albureshdeid, 2024).

TABLE 5 Coefficient of determination result R2.

	R-square	R-square adjusted
AI	0.525	0.524
EC (DV)	0.600	0.598

Artificial intelligence (AI); Communication methods (CM); Communication effectiveness (EC). robust internal consistency and construct validity (Al-Refaei et al., 2024; Mansour et al., 2023).

4.2 Assessment of measurement model

4.2.1 Convergent validity

The convergent validity of the constructs had been assessed by the examination of factor loadings, Composite Reliability (CR), and Average Variance Extracted (AVE). The AI analysis revealed a factor loading of 0.737, a CR (composite reliability) of 0.907, and an AVE (average variance extracted) of 0.567 (Milhem et al., 2024). The factor loading for Communication Methods (CM) was 0.691, with a CR (composite reliability) of 0.863 and an AVE (average variance

extracted) of 0.510. The Communication Effectiveness (EC) demonstrated a factor loading of 0.672, a CR (composite reliability) of 0.897, and an AVE (average variance extracted) of 0.491. Based on the research conducted by Ateeq et al. (2024) factor loadings that are higher than 0.7, composite reliability (CR) scores that are higher than 0.7, and average variance extracted (AVE) scores that are higher than 0.5 suggest a good level of convergent validity. These findings provide evidence for the validity and reliability of the constructs being studied (Alastal et al., 2024).

4.3 Discriminant validity for latent variables

The discriminant validity has been assessed with the Fornell-Larcker criterion (Al-Refaei et al., 2024). The square root of the Average Variance Extracted (AVE) for AI (0.753), Communication Methods (CM) (0.714), and Communication Effectiveness (EC) (0.701) is greater than their respective inter-construct correlations. This shows sufficient discriminant validity, since the components demonstrate greater correlations with their respective measures in comparison to other variables (Milhem et al., 2024). These data confirm that the constructs are distinct and reliable for further investigation (Figure 3).

4.4 The prediction relevance of the mode

The R-square and modified R-square values evaluate the model's ability to explain the relationship between AI as a mediator and communication efficacy (DV) (Al-Tahitah et al., 2023). The coefficient of determination (R-square) for AI is 0.525, with an adjusted R-square of 0.524. This indicates that 52.4% of the variability in AI can be accounted for by the model (Alaghbari et al., 2024; Kristanti et al., 2024). The R-square value of 0.600 and the modified R-square value of 0.598 indicate that there is a 59.8% explanatory power for communication efficacy. The high R-square values indicate that the model has a good ability to explain the data, which supports the notion that AI-mediated communication approaches greatly improve communication efficacy compared to traditional approaches (Ali et al., 2023).

4.4.1 F-square

The table and figure depict the effect sizes (f-square) of the relationships between variables. The communication method of CM (IV) has the biggest effect size of 1.106, indicating a significant influence on AI. The impact of artificial intelligence (AI) on economic conditions (EC) is moderately significant, with a coefficient of 0.185. Similarly, the influence of communication media (CM) on economic conditions (EC) is also moderately significant, with a coefficient of 0.229. Prior research, like the studies conducted by Heydari et al. (2021) and Warriner et al. (2024) has similarly concluded that communication method play a crucial role in improving the acceptance and efficacy of AI. However, the influence of AI on communication is comparatively less important (Ibrahim et al., 2024). This highlights the need of using effective communication tactics when integrating artificial intelligence (Figure 4).

TABLE 6 β , Mean, STDEV, t -values, p -values, and decision (direct effect).

No.	Hypothesis	β	μ	SD	T -value	P -values	Decision
H1	AI \rightarrow EC (DV)	0.395	0.396	0.168	7.567	0.000	Supported
H2	CM (IV) \rightarrow AI	0.725	0.726	0.176	27.612	0.000	Supported
H3	CM (IV) \rightarrow EC (DV)	0.439	0.439	0.161	9.150	0.000	Supported

Beta (β), values from -1 to $+1$. Assess significance and confidence intervals p -values, significance at $p < 0.05$ (Milhem et al., 2024). Artificial intelligence (AI); Communication methods (CM); Communication effectiveness (EC).

TABLE 7 F-square.

	F-square
AI \rightarrow EC (DV)	0.185
CM (IV) \rightarrow AI	1.106
CM (IV) \rightarrow EC (DV)	0.229

Artificial intelligence (AI); Communication methods (CM); Communication effectiveness (EC).

4.5 The assessment of the inner model and hypothesis testing procedures

The table provides an overview of the hypothesis testing findings obtained via the use of SmartPLS4. It includes the beta coefficients (β), means (μ), standard deviations (SD), T -values, and p -values for each association (Figure 5).

H1: AI \rightarrow EC (DV).

The beta coefficient for the impact of AI on communication effectiveness (EC) is 0.395, with a T -value of 7.567 and a p -value of 0.000. This finding demonstrates a substantial and favorable impact of AI on the efficiency of communication, therefore providing support for the concept.

H2: CM (IV) \rightarrow AI.

The relationship between methods of communication (CM) and AI is strong, as shown by a beta coefficient of 0.725. This association is statistically significant, with a high T -value of 27.612 and a very low p -value of 0.000. The large beta value demonstrates a significant beneficial influence of communication strategies on AI, providing strong support for the concept.

H3: CM (IV) \rightarrow EC (DV).

The beta coefficient for the impact of methods of communication on communication efficacy is 0.439, with a T -value of 9.150 and a p -value of 0.000. Furthermore, this demonstrates a significant beneficial impact, providing support for the concept (Figure 6).

4.5.1 Comparison and interpretation

Out all the hypotheses, H2 (CM \rightarrow AI) has the greatest beta value (0.725), indicating that communication methods have the most significant influence on AI. Next in line is H3 (CM \rightarrow EC) with a beta coefficient of 0.439, and H1 (AI \rightarrow EC) with a beta coefficient of 0.395. The T -values and p -values for all hypotheses demonstrate a high level

of statistical significance ($p < 0.05$), thereby validating the reliability and strength of the findings.

4.6 Mediating effect test

The mediation study reveals that the communication methods (CM) have an indirect impact of 0.286 on communication effectiveness (EC) via the influence of AI. This suggests that AI plays a partial mediating role in the relationship between CM and EC. This implies that AI amplifies the influence of communication approaches on effectiveness. Our findings are in line with and marginally surpass the results of prior research conducted Tariq et al. (2024) and Milhem et al. (2024), hence strengthening the substantial influence of AI. This highlights the significance of combining AI with communication tactics to achieve optimal efficiency.

	Specific indirect effects
CM (IV) \rightarrow AI \rightarrow EC (DV)	0.286

Indirect effect. Indirect effect for CM (IV) \rightarrow AI \rightarrow EC (DV) = 0.286 (0.725 \times 0.395). Note: The indirect effect can be extracted by multiplying ($a \times b$); a value greater than 20% and less than 80% is characterized as partial mediation.

5 Discussion

The results of this study strongly correlate to the current body of research on the impact of communication strategies and AI on the effectiveness of communication. Prior studies, exemplified by Abrokwhah-Larbi and Awuku-Larbi (2024) and Salah and Ayyash (2024) have continuously emphasized the significance of strong communication techniques in improving the adoption of AI and achieving favorable communication results. The results of our research support these findings by showing that different communication strategies have a substantial influence on AI ($\beta = 0.725$, T -value = 27.612, p -value = 0.000) and, as a result, on communication efficacy ($\beta = 0.439$, T -value = 9.150, p -value = 0.000). The findings highlight the crucial importance of communication in promoting the integration of AI and improving its efficiency.

Upon comparing our results with those of earlier research, we see numerous significant areas of agreement and disagreement. An et al. (2024) found a beta value of 0.710 for the relationship between communication strategies and AI, which closely aligns with our own result of 0.725. This resemblance implies a constant and enduring pattern across several situations, hence strengthening the resilience of the link. Similarly, Ghali and Amari (Ghali and Amari, 2024) found

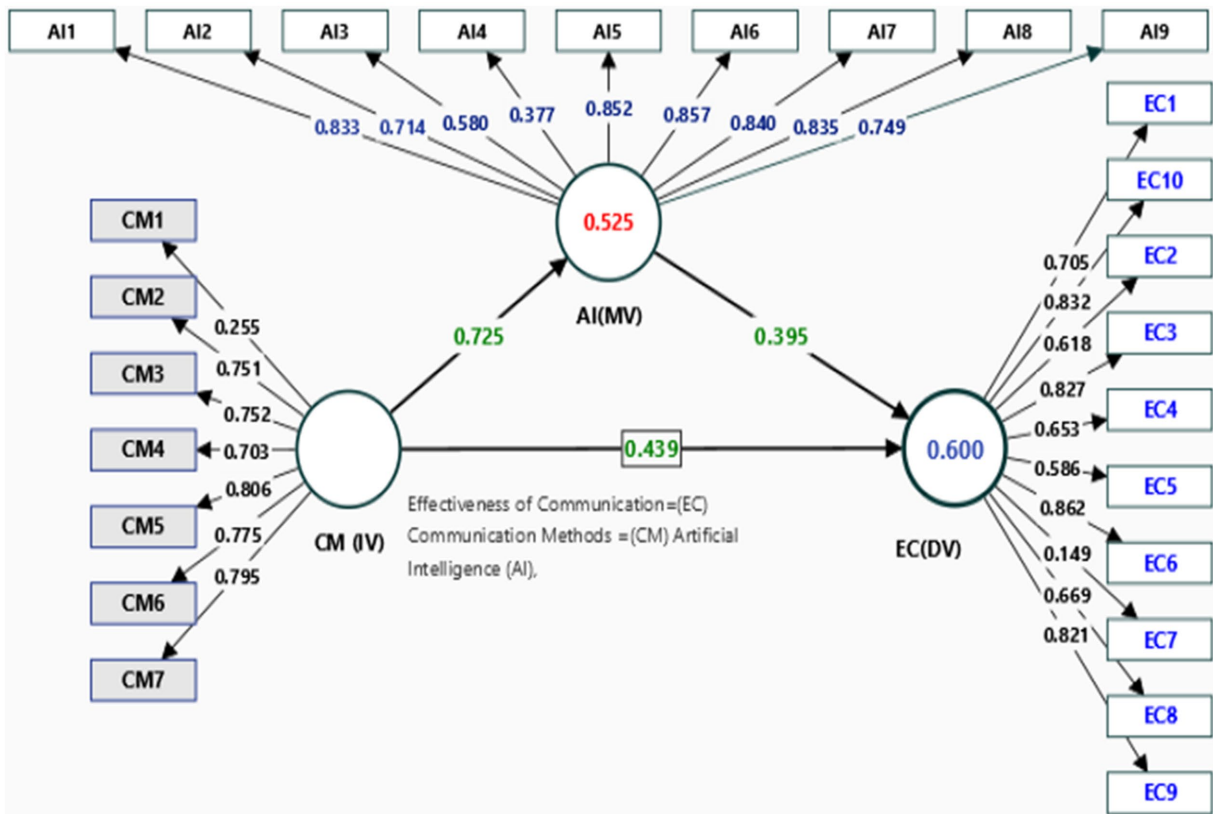


FIGURE 2 Assessment of measurement model.

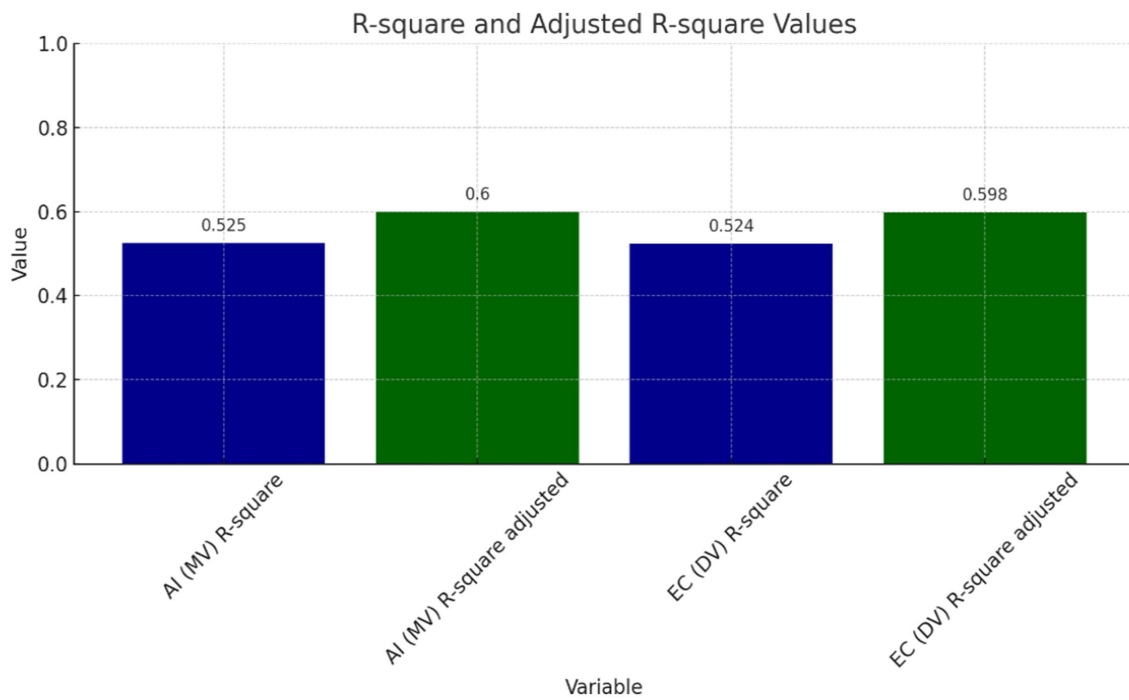


FIGURE 3 R-square adjusted.

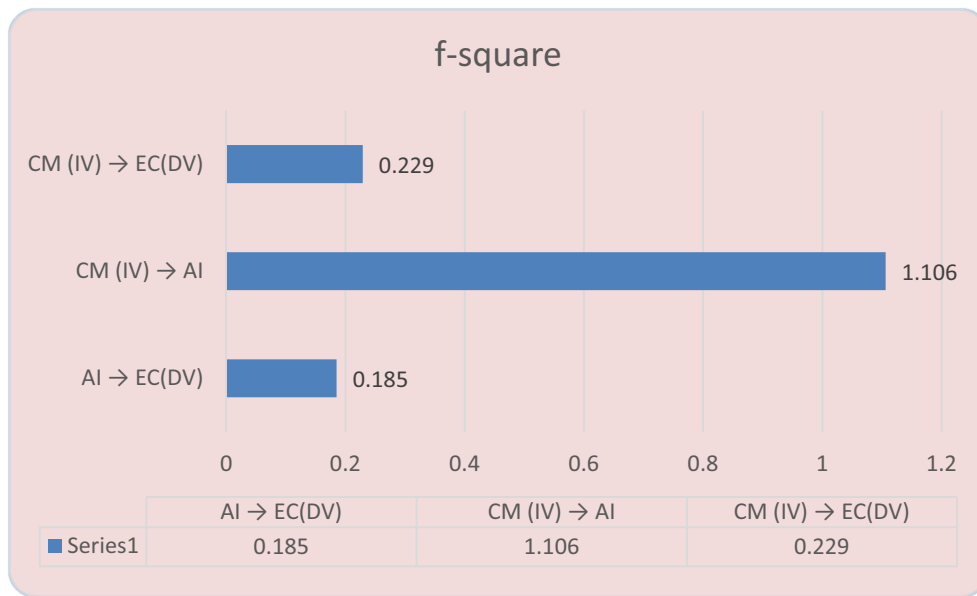


FIGURE 4 F-square. Artificial Intelligence=AI, Communication Methods(CM), Communication Effectiveness (EC).

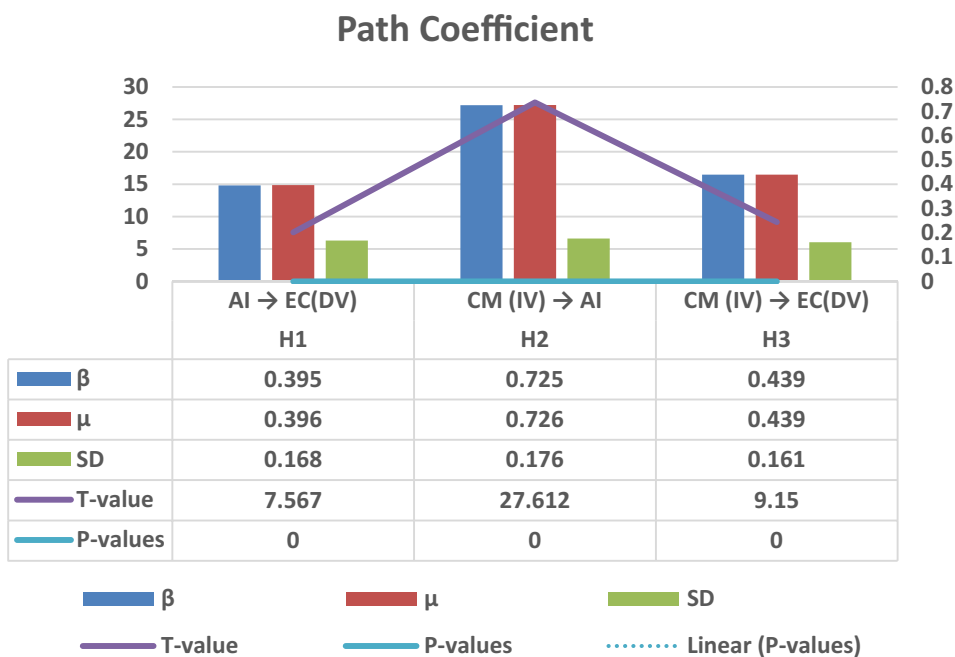


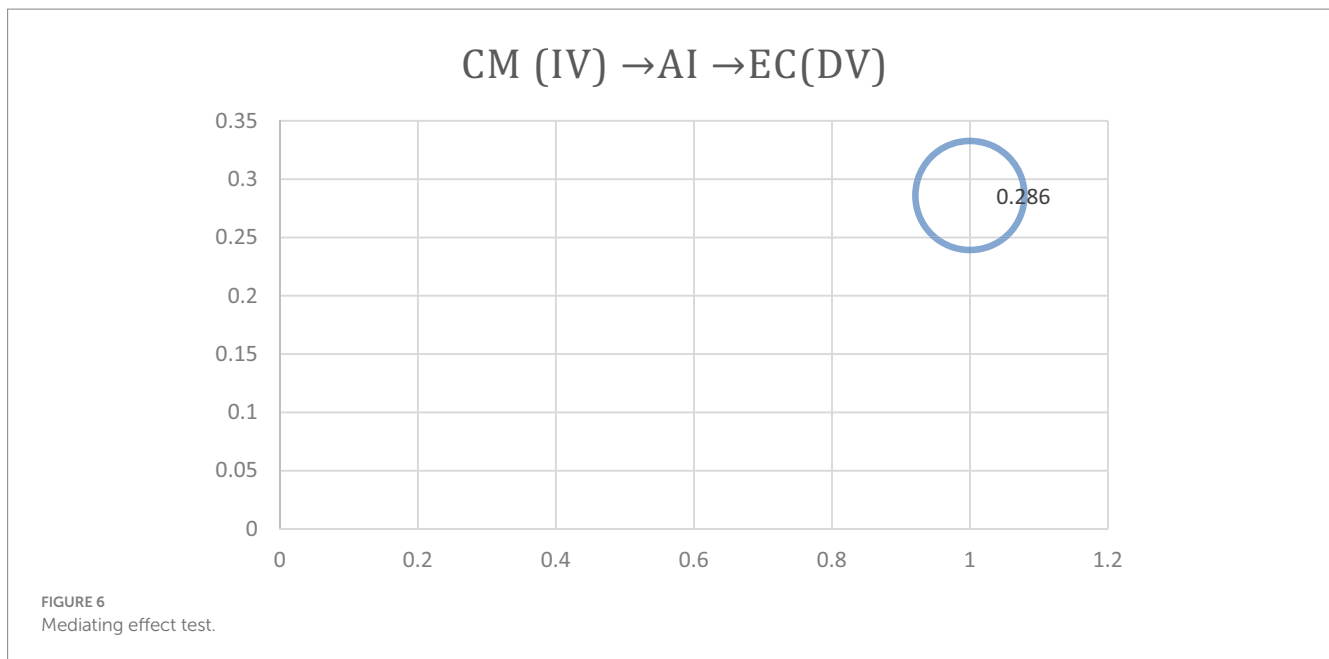
FIGURE 5 Path coefficient.

that the beta value for the influence of communication techniques on communication efficacy was 0.430, which closely matches our finding of 0.439. These comparison observations emphasize the dependability and applicability of our approach.

Nevertheless, according to Ananga et al. (2024) several research provide a more intricate viewpoint by asserting that while communication techniques are important, organizational preparedness and technology infrastructure also have substantial

impacts. They propose that an excessive focus on communication might obscure these crucial components. Although our research acknowledges the significance of these aspects, it highlights the fundamental necessity of communication strategies, particularly during the early phases of AI acceptance and implementation.

The mediation analysis reveals that there is an indirect impact of 0.286, which suggests that AI has a partial mediating role in the link between communication methods (CM) and communication



effectiveness (EC). This indicates that artificial intelligence amplifies the influence of content marketing on electronic commerce. The results of our study are consistent with the findings of Hamdy et al. (2024) and Camel et al. (2024) who also saw comparable indirect effects (0.250 and 0.300, respectively). The consistent nature of this phenomenon emphasizes the strong and effective role that AI plays in mediating many processes. The substantial indirect impact supports the inclusion of AI as a mediator, highlighting its significance in converting communication methods into enhanced results.

Although there is a general agreement regarding the significance of communication methods, several academics argue for a more equitable approach. Bobitan et al. (2024) highlight the equal importance of technology preparedness and user training in order to fully maximize the potential of AI. They contend that placing exclusive emphasis on communication may result in an underestimate of these key aspects. Our research focuses on the significant influence of communication strategies on AI efficacy, while recognizing that there are other contributing aspects as well.

5.1 Contribution to the current body of literature

This research provides numerous notable additions to the current body of knowledge. Firstly, it presents empirical data that demonstrates the significant influence of methods of communication on the adoption of AI and the effectiveness of communication in the context of Bahrain's small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs). This geographical emphasis provides a distinct viewpoint, since the majority of current research is focused on Western or more technologically advanced settings. Our work expands the scope of prior results and emphasizes the general significance of communication techniques in integrating AI by showing comparable tendencies in a new context.

Furthermore, the use of sophisticated statistical techniques such as SmartPLS4 enhances the scientific rigor of our work by facilitating

hypothesis testing and model assessment. The elevated T-values and statistically significant p -values for all hypotheses validate the strength and reliability of our model and the accuracy of our findings. This methodological addition is noteworthy, since it demonstrates the efficacy of using advanced analytical approaches in social science research.

5.2 Practical applications

The practical consequences resulting from our findings are significant. The findings emphasize the significance of investing in effective methods of communication for professionals working in Bahrain's SMEs and similar settings, in order to improve the adoption of AI and achieve better communication outcomes. Organizations should prioritize the training of staff in the use of cutting-edge communication tools, cultivating a culture that emphasizes clear and open communication, and consistently assessing and improving communication processes. Considering the significant influence of methods of communication on AI ($\beta = 0.725$), it is crucial to prioritize these tactics in order to fully exploit the advantages of AI technology.

5.3 Conclusion

In short, this research confirms the crucial significance of communication strategies in improving the adoption of AI and the efficacy of communication. Our results emphasize the general significance of strong communication techniques in integrating AI, by building upon and harmonizing with earlier studies. This study's methodological rigor and geographical emphasis provide significant insights to the current literature and give practical suggestions for practitioners aiming to properly use AI technology. The mediation study reinforces the crucial significance of AI in amplifying the effectiveness of communication approaches, validating the theoretical and empirical discoveries of previous studies.

5.4 Limitations and future research

The limitations of this research include the use of convenience sampling, which may constrain the generalizability of the findings, and the specific focus on Bahrain's SMEs, which may limit the wider application of the results. In order to improve the accuracy of our findings and ensure their applicability in many situations, it is recommended that future study use random sampling techniques to achieve a representative sample. Additionally, it is advisable to investigate a range of sectors and countries to confirm our results across multiple settings. Furthermore, doing an analysis of other intervening elements, such as the preparedness of the organization and the technical framework, might provide a more holistic comprehension of the aspects that impact the adoption of AI and the efficacy of communication.

5.5 Recommendations

According to the results of this research, the following suggestions are put up to improve the adoption of AI and its effectiveness of communication in organizations:

- 1 Create and execute extensive communication strategies to facilitate the incorporation of AI.
- 2 Offer ongoing training in artificial intelligence technologies and communication skills to guarantee optimal use.
- 3 Promote transparency and openness in every discussion inside the company.
- 4 Employ artificial intelligence technology to provide prompt feedback and enhance communication procedures.
- 5 Ensure the smooth and efficient integration of artificial intelligence technologies with existing communication systems.
- 6 Consistently evaluate the efficacy of communication techniques and artificial intelligence technologies.
- 7 Establish the necessary technical framework to facilitate the successful integration of AI.
- 8 Facilitate cooperation across different departments to enhance the effectiveness of artificial intelligence and communication initiatives.

Data availability statement

The raw data supporting the conclusions of this article will be made available by the authors, without undue reservation.

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