

# CURRICULUM VITAE

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### 1. Personal information

#### Name and social security number

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#### Employment

Researcher, Gothenburg Research Institute, School of Business, Economics and Law, University of Gothenburg, 2018–2020.

Assisting researcher, Gothenburg Research Institute, School of Business, Economics and Law, University of Gothenburg, 2016–2018.

PhD candidate, School of Global Studies, University of Gothenburg, 2011–2016.

### 2. Education

#### Completed degrees

2016. Doctoral degree in Social Anthropology, University of Gothenburg.

2011. Master's degree in Social Anthropology, University of Gothenburg.

2010. Bachelor's degree in Social Anthropology, University of Gothenburg.

2007. Bachelor's degree in Sociology, University West.



## Other courses

2020. Behörighetsgivande högskolepedagogik 2: Områdesspecifik pedagogik, 5,0 hp.

2019. Grundkurs NVivo 12 för Mac.

2011. Behörighetsgivande högskolepedagogik 1: Baskurs, 5,0 hp.

## 3. Scientific qualifications

### Summary

Larsson holds a doctoral degree in social anthropology and is currently working at Gothenburg Research Institute, at the School of Business Economics and Law at the University of Gothenburg. His research has a broad empirical focus but relates to a theoretical interest in governance and power in historical and contemporary societies. He is currently working in a project on social dimensions of collaborative and intelligent robots within the automotive industry, a project on psychosocial and socioeconomic consequences of large predators for hunters and farmers in the Swedish countryside, as well as a project on historical photography. In addition to his scientific publications, he has also published popular science articles about his research in Swedish magazines and newspapers.

### Peer reviewed journal publications

Sjölander Lindqvist, Annelie; Larsson, Simon; Fava, Nadia; Gillberg, Nanna; Marcianò, Claudio; Cinque, Serena (2020) Communicating about COVID-19 in four European countries: Similarities and differences in national discourses in Germany, Italy, Spain, and Sweden. *Frontiers in Communication*. *Accepted for publication*.

Larsson, Simon; Lundström, Markus (2020). Anarchy in the Game of Thrones. *Neohelicon* (Springer). <https://doi.org/10.1007/s11059-020-00522-5>

Boholm, Åsa; Larsson, Simon (2019). What is the problem? A literature review on challenges facing the communication of nanotechnology to the public. *Journal of Nanoparticle Research* 21(86), <https://doi.org/10.1007/s11051-019-4524-3>

Larsson Simon; Jansson Magnus; Boholm Åsa (2019). Expert stakeholders' perception of nanotechnology: risk, benefit, knowledge, and regulation. *Journal of Nanoparticle Research*. 21(57), 1–17. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s11051-019-4498-1>

Larsson, Simon (2014). Bamse and the Legitimacy of the State. *Moderna språk* 108(1) 45-56.



## Other scientific publications

Larsson, Simon; Sjölander-Lindqvist, Annelie (2020 forthcoming accepted for publication). The Sea is Boundless: Challenges with a collaborative approach to coastal management. I Sjölander Lindqvist 2018, *Anthropological Perspectives on Environmental Communication*. Abingdon: Routledge.

Larsson, Simon; Boholm, Åsa (2018). Den svenska allmänhetens inställning till nanoteknik. I Ulrika Andersson, Anders Carlander, Elina Lindgren & Maria Oskarson (red) 2018, *Sprickor i fasaden*. Göteborgs universitet: SOM-institutet.

Larsson, Simon; Åsa Boholm, and Jansson Magnus (2017). Attitudes towards nanomaterials and nanotechnology among Swedish expert stakeholders: Risk, benefit and regulation. *GRI Report Series*, No. 2017: 2.

Larsson, Simon (2016). *Att bygga ett samhälle vid tidens slut: Svenska Missionsförbundets mission i Kongo 1881 till 1920-talet*. Gothenburg: University of Gothenburg Doctoral Thesis.

## Popular science articles

Larsson (2020). Sanningen i ett fotografi –Simon Larsson om det koloniala fotografiets många dimensioner. GRI-bloggen 2020/04/28. <http://gri-bloggen.se/sanningen-i-ett-fotografi-simon-larsson-om-bildens-olidliga-latthet/>

Larsson, Simon (2019). Game of thrones handlar om vårt moderna samhälle – inte om medeltiden. GRI-bloggen 2019/05/14. <http://gri-bloggen.se/game-of-thrones-handlar-om-vart-moderna-samhalle-och-inte-om-medeltiden/>

Larsson, Simon (2019). *Game of Thrones – en berättelse om samtiden?* Arbetaren 2019/03/15. <https://www.arbetaren.se/2019/03/15/game-of-thrones-en-berattelse-om-var-samtid/>

Larsson, Simon (2019). *Replik i debatten om svensk mission*. Blogginlägg på simonlarsson.org 2019/01/20. <https://www.simonlarsson.org/research-blog/replik-i-debatten-om-svensk-mission>

Larsson, Simon (2018). *De svenska missionärerna stod kolonialmakten nära*. Expressen 2018/12/08. <https://www.expressen.se/kultur/ide/de-svenska-missionarerna-stod-kolonialmakten-nara/>

Larsson, Simon (2017). *Tidiga missionen inget ideal*. Dagen 2017/12/21. <https://www.dagen.se/debatt/simon-larsson-tidiga-missionen-ar-inget-ideal-1.1074029>

Larsson, Simon (2017). *Frälsare i Kongostaten*. Arbetaren 2017/09/15. <https://www.arbetaren.se/2017/09/15/fralsare-i-kongostaten/>

Larsson, Simon (2015). *Missförstådd trilogi river upp sår*. Arbetaren. 2015/09/27. <https://www.arbetaren.se/2015/09/27/missforstadd-trilogi-river-upp-sar/>

Larsson, Simon (2012). *Vårt stora behov av syndabockar*. Dala-Demokraten 2012/04/05.



### Peer reviewed conference presentations (international)

Larsson, Simon & Annelie Sjölander (2018) *'The Sea Is Boundless': Challenges with a Collaborative Approach to Coastal Management*. Sustainable Futures, Society for Applied Anthropology, Philadelphia. April 3-7, 2018.

Larsson, Simon & Annelie Sjölander (2018) *Seascapes in Transition: Swedish Perspectives on Maritime Management*. Pathways Africa, Windhoek, Namibia. January 8-11, 2018.

Larsson, Simon & Åsa Boholm (2017). *Risk, benefit, and regulation: Swedish Expert stakeholders' understanding of engineered nanomaterials and nanotechnology*. Society for Risk Analysis Europe Conference 2017 in Lisbon, Portugal. June 19 – 21, 2017.

Larsson, Simon (2013). *There will be blood – kinship and family on a Swedish mission in lower Congo 1881-1914*. Race. Migration. Citizenship: Racial and Colonial Institutional Orders - British Sociological Association's Theory Study Group, Birmingham. July 16, 2013.

Larsson, Simon (2012). *The magic of the frontier and the memory of artefacts*. Inaugural Conference of the Association of Critical Heritage Studies "The Re/theorization of Heritage Studies" Gothenburg. June 5, 2012.

### Oral presentations

*Swedish Stakeholders' Perspectives on Collaborative Robots and Autonomous Machines in the Automotive Industry*. Chalmers University Automation Group. 2 March 2020.

*Views from social scientist perspective – risk perception. Towards Nanotech Safety. 2018 Clarion Hotel Post, Gothenburg. 13-15 November 2018* <http://conference.mistraenvironmentalnanosafety.org>

*Managing and Planning European Seascapes in Transition: A case study from the Swedish west coast*. Sea and Society Talks, Gothenburg. 8 November, 2018 (<https://havochsamhalle.gu.se/Aktiviteter/sea-and-society-talks>)

*The Swedish public and their attitude to nanotechnology*. Mistra Environmental NanoSafety Board Meeting 2018, Gothenburg. 20 June 2018.

*Svenskar i det koloniala Kongo*. GRI Board Meeting, Gothenburg. 13 Juni, 2017.

*Swedish expert stakeholders' views on nanomaterials and nanotechnology*. Mistra Environmental Nanosafety Consortium Meeting. 26–27 April, 2017.

*Att bygga ett samhälle vid tidens slut: Svenska Missionsförbundets mission i Kongo 1881 till 1920-talet*, Linnaeus University Centre for Concurrences in Colonial and Postcolonial Studies, 20 april 2017.

*Svenska missionsförbundets mission i Kongo i ett globalhistoriskt perspektiv*. Religion och globalhistoria - ett temaseminarium i samverkan med Globalhistoriska seminariet, Lund University. 27 March, 2017.



*Towards a new moral economy: The ideology and praxis of slavery at a Swedish mission station in lower Congo 1881-1924*, GRI Lunchseminarium, Göteborg. 9 Maj, 2017.

*A community beyond kinship? Mission in a historical perspective*. Workshop, Göteborg. 10–11 May 2016.

*Det nya sambället vid tidens slut - arkitektur och temporala kategorier vid svenska missionsförbundets missionsstationer i Kongo 1881–1920*. Byggd miljö, arkitektur och kommunikation- Workshop vid Institutionen för Historiska Studier, Göteborg. 20–21 February 2014.

## Received research grants

*Svenska Missionsförbundets fotografier från Kongo 1886–1961 : ideologi och retorik i missionsfotografiet*. Kungliga vitterhetsakademien, 125 000 SEK. Principal investigator, Simon Larsson

*Psykosociala och socioekonomiska effekter av förekomsten av stora rovdjur*. Utlysning från naturvårdsverket om behovet av vidare forskning, 1 500 000 SEK. Principle investigator, associate professor Annelie Sjölander Lindqvist.

*Swedish Stakeholders' Perspectives on Collaborative Robots and Autonomous Machines in the Automotive Industry: An Explorative Qualitative Study of Social Dimensions of Industry 4.0*. Chalmers University of Technology/ Volvo, 2018, 500 000 SEK. Principle investigator, Simon Larsson

*Managing and Planning European Seascapes in Transition: A case study from the Swedish west coast*. Sea and Society special call 2015, 500 000 SEK. Principle investigator, Annelie Sjölander Lindqvist.

## 4. Teaching and supervision

Larsson is currently teaching a course on Regulation and governance of cultural heritage in a Swedish context at the Department of Historical Studies "KA1210 Cultural Heritage Management and Regulations". This includes both giving lectures, assisting in group exercise, examinations, and developing the course plan. He is also teaching in the method section of the course in Applied Anthropology. Furthermore, he is supervising bachelor theses and master thesis in different disciplines.

## 5. Outreach/science communication

Larsson have an extensive experience of communicating my research with a broader audience by publishing articles in magazines and newspaper, and by giving public presentations about my work. His thesis has received quite a bit of public attention and he has been interviewed about his research by several magazines, as well as national radio and television, and he is giving lectures about the topic of the thesis at different venues both inside and outside of academia.



## Media appearance

Kulturnyheterna SVT, 30 maj 2020, Nu kartläggs de svenska missionärernas arbete i Kongo. Abdul Hibombo. <https://www.svt.se/kultur/han-undersoker-de-svenska-missionarernas-arbete-i-kongo>

GRI, 11 januari 2019, Trust more important than knowledge when people assess the risks of nanotechnology. Henric Karlsson. <https://gri.handels.gu.se/english/latest-news/news/d/trust-more-important-than-knowledge-when-people-assess-the-risks-of-nanotechnology.cid1605258>

SOM-Institutet, 31 oktober 2018. Stora skillnader i acceptans av nanoteknik beroende på användningsområde. Henric Karlsson. [https://som.gu.se/aktuellt/Nyheter/Nyheter\\_detalj//stora-skillnader-i-acceptans-av-nanoteknik-beroende-pa-anvandningsomrade.cid1592507](https://som.gu.se/aktuellt/Nyheter/Nyheter_detalj//stora-skillnader-i-acceptans-av-nanoteknik-beroende-pa-anvandningsomrade.cid1592507)

Människor och Tro P1, 20 juli 2018. *Vad gör dagens missionär?* Tithi Hahn. <https://sverigesradio.se/sida/avsnitt/1113801?programid=416>

Centrum för hav och samhälle, 19 juni 2018. *Lokal kunskap viktig för det marina kulturarvet*, Albin Dahlin. <https://havochochsamhalle.gu.se/aktuellt/n//lokal-kunskap-viktig-for-det-marina-kulturarvet.cid1573303>

Svenska Dagbladet, 24 juli 2017. *Missionärernas möte med terrorn i Kongo*, Sofia Lilly Jönsson. <https://www.svd.se/missionarernas-mote-med-terrorn-i-kongo>

Gothenburg Reserach Institute News, 16 jun 2017. *Nytt forskningsprojekt: Att förvalta ett europeiskt kustlandskap*, Barbro Johansson. <https://gri.handels.gu.se/aktuellt/nyheter/n//nytt-forskningsprojekt--att-forvalta-ett-europeiskt-kustlandskap.cid1477846>

Sändaren, 23 mars 2018. *Svåra frågor med många svar Kongomissionen i blickfånget*, Anna Hagnell.

Populär Historia, 2017, *Kongomissionärer köpte slavbarn*, Anders Hansson.

Tidningen Dagen, 3 nov 2016, *Ny avhandling om missionen i Kongo*, Inger Alestig. <http://www.dagen.se/ny-avhandling-om-missionen-i-kongo-1.800328>

Nättidningen Svensk Historia, 7 nov 2016, *Nytt samhällsbygge var nödvändigt för att frälsa i Kongo*, Peter Kristensson. <https://svenskhistoria.se/nytt-samhallsbygge-var-nodvandigt-for-att-fralsa-i-kongo/>

Vetenskapsradion Sveriges Radio P1, 19 jan 2015, *Bamse, världens starkaste björn ur ett statsteoretiskt perspektiv*, Urban Björstadius. <https://sverigesradio.se/sida/avsnitt/489984?programid=1302>

GU Journalen, 12 dec 2014, *Bamse - inte bara världens starkaste björn*, Helena Svensson. <https://www.medarbetarportalen.gu.se/aktuellt/gu-journalen/arkiv/2014/nummer-7-14/bamse--inte-bara-varldens-starkaste-bjorn/>





Mistra Environmental NanoSafety Annual Report (2017) Anna Wallin Adersjö *Attitudes*  
<https://www.mistra.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/10/Mistra-Environmental-Nanosafety-Annual-report-2017.pdf>

### Public talks

Den svenska missionen i Kongo kring förra sekelskiftet. Vänersborgs Museum, Vänersborg, 4 Februari, 2018.

Från föredöme till blodbad. SAFRAN, Afrikagrupperna i Lund, Lund 27 January, 2018.

## 6. Other academic merits

### Review assignments

Reviewer for *Wildlife Biology: A journal for the science of wildlife* (Oikos Editorial Office).

Reviewer for *NanoImpact: An International Journal of NanoSafety Research* (Elsevier Journal).

### Received scholarships

Lars Hiertas Minne, Stiftelsen Fru Mary von Sydows född Wijk donationsfond, FRISPEL, Helge Ax:son Johnsons Stiftelse, Stiftelsen Olle Engkvist Byggmästare, Lundgrenska Stiftelserna

### Prizes and awards

Received the King Bernadotte Scholarship for outstanding young talents who are becoming established as leading practitioners within their individual fields, 2020.

Springer Nature certificate: The paper, “**Expert stakeholders’ perception of nanotechnology: risk, benefit, knowledge, and regulation,**” was among the top ten most downloaded papers in 2019 published in the *Journal of Nanoparticle Research* in that year.

Springer Nature certificate: The paper, “**What is the problem? A literature review on challenges facing the communication of nanotechnology to the public,**” was among the top ten most downloaded papers in 2019 published in the *Journal of Nanoparticle Research* in that year.

### Art exhibitions

The end of the world as we know it, Vänersborg art gallery, Sweden.



*Mannen, fåglarna och socialdemokratin*, Vänersborg art gallery, Sweden. Together with the artist PhD Tina Carlsson, 2013

*Posthumorous*, Vänersborg Sweden. Together with artist Sara Larsson and Alexander Lindblom, 2011

### **Conference organization**

Assisted with the organization of *SRA Europe 2nd Nordic Chapter Meeting in Gothenburg 2016*, Gothenburg Research Institute.

Arranged *Swedish National Conference on Peace and Conflict Research 2012* at the Institution of Global Studies.

### **Commission of trust**

Election committee GRI, 2020.

PhD representative in the Department Council, School of Global Studies. 2012-2015.

PhD representative in the election committee, School of Global Studies, 2014-2015.

PhD representative in PhD recruitment committee, Social anthropology, spring 2016.

