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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE – CURRENT POSITIONS

LINKÖPING UNIVERSITY, INSTITUTE FOR ANALYTICAL SOCIOLOGY (IAS)	Linköping, Sweden
Professor, The Institute for Analytical Sociology	2024 –
INSTITUTE FOR FUTURES STUDIES (IFFS)	Stockholm, Sweden
Research leader for the IFFS theme *The societal impact of new technologies*	2019 –
UPPSALA UNIVERSITY	Uppsala, Sweden
Guest Professor, Department of Women's and Children's Health	2019 – 2025

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE – PREVIOUS

Lecturer, *IAS*, Linköping university	2022 – 2024
Deputy Director, *Centre for Cultural Evolution*, Stockholm University	2018 – 2020
Researcher, *IFFS,* Stockholm	2015 – 2018
Guest Researcher (part time), *Centre for Cultural Evolution*, Stockholm University	2014 – 2017
Coordinator of experimental research, *IAS*, Linköping University	2014 – 2016
Researcher, *IFFS,* Stockholm	2013 – 2014
Lecturer, *Centre for Cultural Evolution*, Stockholm University	2010 – 2013
Postdoctoral fellow with Nobel Laureate Elinor Ostrom, *Indiana University*, US	2009 – 2010
Postdoctoral fellow with Kevin Laland, *University of St Andrews*, UK	Spring 2009
Postdoctoral fellow with Nobel Laureate Eric Maskin, *IAS Princeton*, US	2008 – 2009
Researcher, with Magnus Enquist, *Centre for Cultural Evolution*, Stockholm University	Spring 2008
Fulbright Scholar with Pete Richerson, *University of California, Davis,* US	2005 – 2006

EDUCATION

Docent, Economics, Stockholm University	2013
Supervisor: *Kimmo Eriksson*	
PhD, Division of Mathematics and Physics, Mälardalen University, Sweden	2008
Supervisor: *Kimmo Eriksson*	
Master, Division of Mathematics and Physics, Mälardalen University, Sweden	2003

FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

Wallenberg Academy Fellows prolongation grants,   875,000 EUR   2023 – 2027
Knut and Alice Wallenberg Foundation

Wallenberg Fellowship for young, promising researchers,   700,000 EUR   2018 – 2023
Knut and Alice Wallenberg Foundation, Sweden

AWARDED RESEARCH GRANTS

Riksbankens Jubileumsfond The Predictive Capacity of the Social Sciences	PI	30,000	2025-2026
Formas Finding popular solutions to climate change - A global investigation of public opinions about climate policies and their determinants	PI	950,000 EUR	2023 – 2027
Swedish Research Council A new theory of the relation between cognitive ability and moral opinions	Co-PI	430,000 EUR	2022 – 2025
Marianne and Marcus Wallenberg Foundation (WASP-HS) Predicting the diffusion of AI-applications	PI	576,000 EUR	2020 – 2024
Swedish Research Council Predicting moral opinion dynamics: cross-cultural tests of a new theory	PI	380,000 EUR	2020 – 2022
Swedish Research Council Migration and equity in sexual and reproductive health: The importance of dynamics in cultural and social values	Co-PI	1,800,000 EUR	2019 – 2024
Knut and Alice Wallenberg Foundation How do social norms change?	PI	700,000 EUR	2017 – 2023
Riksbankens Jubileumsfond Machine learning in decision making: challenges and possibilities 13-15 May 2022	PI	26,000 EUR	2022
Riksbankens Jubileumsfond Hygiene across cultures: norms, beliefs and public health	Co-PI	540,000 EUR	2023 – 2025
Swedish Research Council Prejudice against immigrants' social values	Co-PI	505,000	2023 – 2026

SELECTED INVITED TALKS, KEYNOTES AND PANELS

Predicting the Future Swedbank, Stockholm	Speaker	2025
To Predict Future Opinions Swedish Film Institute, Stockholm	Speaker	2025
Vad är AI och vad kommer den att göra? Nordstedts förlag, Stockholm	Speaker	2024
The history and future of moral opinions Halmstad University 40 year celebration, Online	Speaker	2022
Att förutsäga framtida åsikter SVT, Stockholm	Speaker	2022
Moralrevolutionen The Swedish Police	Speaker	2022

INSTITUTIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES

Contributor to the Delphi survey conducted by the DG RTD (European Commission), a part of the project *Science, Technology and Innovation for Ecosystem Performance – Accelerating Sustainability Transitions.*	2021 – Ongoing
Research leader at the Institute for Futures Studies on the theme "New Technologies and the future of humanity".	2019 – Ongoing
Member of the Steering Committee, Department of Archaeology and Classical Studies, Stockholm University, Sweden	2018 – 2020
Member of the Swedish government's council on digitalization	2019 – Ongoing
Member of the City of Stockholm's reference group on equality	2017 – 2018
Coordinator of research project The Boundary Problem in Democratic Theory, Institute for Futures Studies, Sweden	2017 – 2018

WORKSHOP AND CONFERENCE ORGANIZATION

Workshop series: **The Predictive Capacities of Social Science** Four workshops with international participants, 12-25 participants/ws, hybrid, Stockholm	2025-2026
Conference: ***Machine learning in public decision making: challenges and possibilities*** A three-day workshop with 20 participants, including international participants, Sweden	2022
Workshop: ***Social Impact of AI***, 30 participants, Sweden A three-day workshop with 30 participants, including international participants from Europe and the US	2020
Conference: ***Future Day: On artificial intelligence, decision making, and labour*** One day, 200 participants, Sweden	2019
Symposium: ***Violence and its variation in time and space*** 40 participants, Sweden	2019
Workshop: ***Societal Impact of AI*** 20 participants, Sweden	2019

SELECTED SCIENCE OUTREACH IN PUBLIC MEDIA

Vem ska jag tro på?: Varför kan jag inte sluta skrolla? SVT, https://www.svtplay.se/vem-ska-jag-tro-pa	2025
Experterna varnar: AI som används i rekrytering är opålitlig	2024

Sveriges Radio, https://www.sverigesradio.se/artikel/experterna-varnar-ai-som-anvands-i-rekrytering-ar-opalitlig

Från rökrutor på skolgården till rökförbud på balkongen – därför har synen på rökning ändrats så snabbt	2020
Hem&Hyra, https://www.hemhyra.se/nyheter/darfor-har-synen-pa-rokning-andrats/	
AI kan öka stressen på jobbet	2019
DagensArbete, https://da.se/2019/09/ai-kan-oka-stressen-pa-jobbet/	
The rise of Modern Values	2017
TEDx, https://www.ted.com/talks/pontus_strimling_the_rise_of_modern_values	

TEACHING

Guest Lecturer, Lecture: *Mathematics for Societal Challenges*, Mälardalen University	2025
Course Director, Predictive Memetics, 7.5 credits, Linköping Univeristy	Fall 2024
Guest Lecturer, Lecture: Using experiments in the social sciences, Linköping University	2015
Guest Lecturer, Human Ethology, Stockholm University,	2014-2018
Guest Lecturer, *Mathematics of the human world*, Jönköping University	2014
Lecturer – Mathematics, Mälardalen University	2002 – 2006

PhD THESIS SUPERVISION

Isabela Hazin, main supervisor, Uppsala Uni. Department of Women's and Children's Health	Will graduate in 2027
Zeynep Melis Kirgil, co-supervisor, Stockholm Uni. Department of Sociology	2023
Maissa al Adhami, co-supervisor, Uppsala Uni. Department of Women's and Children's Health	2023
Per Andersson, co-supervisor, Linkping Uni.Department of Behavioural Sciences and Learning	2022
Alexander Funcke. co-supervisor, Mälardalen Uni. Department of Mathematics	2015
Fredrik Jansson, co-supervisor, Mälardalen Uni. Department of Mathematics	2013
Micael Ehn, co-supervisor, Mälardalen Uni. Department of Mathematics	2011

POSTDOCS
Steven Karceski, University of Washington and the Institute for Futures Studies
Niels Selling, currently Linköping University
Irina Vartanova, currently the Institute for Futures Studies
Emma Engström, currently the Institute for Futures Studies
Andrey Tibajev, currently Uppsala University
Jennifer Viberg Johansson, currently Uppsala University
Mícheál de Barra, currently Brunel University London
Daniel Cownden, currently University of Pennsylvania
Sarah Mathew, currently Arizona State University
Mikael Ehn, currently University of Helsinki

SELECTED CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOP PARTICIPATION

GESDA Villars Anticipation Workshop 2025: Planetarised Humanity, Switzerland	Speaker	2025
"Predicting socio-cultural change"		
WASP-HS Winter Conference 2025, Stockholm	Speaker	2025

"Using predictive memetics to understand the diffusion of AI innovations"

Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences, Accelerating sustainability and climate research through AI, Stockholm	Speaker	2025

"Humans in the loop – potential and drawbacks of using AI for climate and sustainability research"

Formas, Agenda 30-conference, Stockholm	Speaker	2024

"Finding popular solutions to climate change - A global investigation of public opinions about climate policies and their determinants"

MEMBERSHIP OF SCIENTIFIC SOCIETIES

In line with my cross disciplinary career, I have been a member of several international scientific societies focused on different areas. These include the research networks *Social dilemmas, European Human Behaviour and Evolution Association (EHBEA)* and *Human Behavior and Evolution Society (HBES)*, as well as a research network on the impact of AI in society, *The Wallenberg AI, Autonomous Systems and Software Program – Humanities and Society (WASP-HS)*. I'm also one of the co-funders of the *Global Social Norms* network (GSN).