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Areas of interest (max 100 words)	Marianne Laanatza's research focuses on Middle East and North Africa in two areas: 1. Empirical Conflict Research (based on historical, socio-economic and political research) 2. International Trade Policy, in particular on Free Trade Agreements and Customs Unions between industrial countries and developing countries, as well as between developing countries.
Current research project (100 words)	Forthcoming publications: - *Ibadi in Maghreb, Its roots, development and The Ibadis policies during the last decades, and participation in the Arab Spring* , first presented at EARS conference, Södertörn University, 2012, and developed for a workshop at Södertörn University 2013 - *Turkey and its economic policy towards Asia and its new formal relationship with the Shanghai Cooperation Organization*, presented at a conference in July 2013 organized by the Shanghai Cooperation Organization's Research Centre in Shanghai - *Relations between majority and minorities – from the*

	Berbers perspectives in Algeria, Libya, Morocco and Tunisia, Conference paper presented at a Conference organized by the Swedish Institute in Alexandria and SRII, Stockholm and Lund Universities, in Istanbul in February 2014
Keywords (5-10)	Middle East, North Africa, empirical conflict research, economics, international trade policy, free trade agreements,
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