



FLORENCE REVELIN

From France to Sweden



Project: **Sami and non-Sami representations of Swedish Laponia**

Research topic: **Humanities**

Swedish Institution: **Umeå University**

French Institution: **French National Museum of Natural History**

Dates of mobility: **11/10/2014 to 15/10/2014**

Program: **SFVE-A (ex-TOR)**



PRESENTATION

[Florence Revelin](#) is Researcher in [Eco-Anthropology](#) and Ethnobiology at the French National Museum of Natural History ([MNHN](#)) and the French National Centre of Scientific Research ([CNRS](#)). She obtained her PhD in Environmental Anthropology in 2013. Focusing on territories and areas engaged in conservation systems, her research examines the relationships between local actors or stakeholders and the local species, landscapes and ecosystems, in considering their economic, cultural and symbolic dimensions. She examines the cultural dimensions of nature conservation projects through the understanding of both local experiences and consequences of these projects, and broader influences that emerge from other spheres of the society. In this perspective, a specific attention is paid to the diversity of people's representations, imaginaries, uses, knowledge and how-know related to nature.

ACTIVITIES IN SWEDEN

Revelin visited the Centre for Sámi Research ([Várdduo](#)) and the [Faculty of Arts and Humanities](#) of [Umeå University](#). This academic visit occurred following fieldwork research conducted the previous weeks in Northern Sweden, in Gällivare and Jokkmokk Municipalities, and funded by the Paris-[Sorbonne University](#) in the frame of NALAVI research programme. She started her mobility by consulting unique documents at the [university library](#), particularly from [Naturvårdsverket](#) (The Swedish Environmental Protection Agency) on the concept of *Naturum* and [Sámi studies](#). She then met and discussed with Prof. [Krister Stoor](#), Researcher [Coppellie Cocq](#), Research Assistant [Annette Löf](#) (now Researcher at the Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences) and PhD candidate [Elsa Reimersen](#) (now Senior Lecturer in Political Science). She also attended the monthly NorrSam meeting, an interdisciplinary academic network for Saami research. These exchanges were crucial for Revelin's project on the issues of staging nature and culture for visitors in the Laponia World Heritage Site of UNESCO. The visit allowed her to extend her references and collaborations with the Nordic researchers within this field.