Mariana has worked since 2008 in human rights and education of young people, particularly in themes such as comprehensive sexuality education and women's rights.

Throughout the years, she has strengthened her skills and knowledge mainly on HIV and the need of a comprehensive and integrated package of sexual and reproductive services for young people, especially for young women. She represents her organization, Balance, in the board of the National Youth Coalition for Education and Sexual Health that works at local and national level.

Mariana is a young feminist that participated in various decision-making spaces at national, regional and international level, proposing actions to improve the living conditions of young people specially young women's, one example of it is her work in the last two years to position the subject of sex education and empowerment of women and girls for the next development agenda.

Since 2012 to date has given point to the construction of the Post2015 Agenda at the national level, especially with UNFPA in the work of the National Youth Agenda, in regional and international monitoring participating in meetings of ECLAC and international organizations like the Youth Coalition for Sexual and Reproductive Rights to position the subject of education comprehensive sexuality as an indicator for the purpose of education and include the participation of young women in the development agenda.