

# VIVO for Scientific Communities

Making researchers & their activities discoverable

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# Challenges & Objectives

- Expanding from the holdings / documents paradigm to research community services, focussing on actual researchers, their activities and contexts
- Institutional Research information systems (CRIS): Huge & necessary, but still just the 1st step!
- Challenge: from the vast array of research information on the web to browsing in complete & linked researcher profiles in one research area
- Objective: to demonstrate and to develop the potential of VIVO (harvesting & linking information)

# VIVO ontology & tools

- Added value by merging & linking research information from various sources
- Model for linkable research information (with linked open data ontologies such as FOAF)
- VIVO as free & open source software
- Originally developed at Cornell with NSF funding, now supported by a consortium at DuraSpace
- Numerous implementations, previously primarily in the English-language bio/medical area (CTSA)

- European community building: VIVO Bootcamps at SWIB (Semantic Web in Libraries) 2013, and forthcoming at ELAG Conference (European Library Automation Group), 10-13 June 2014, Bath
- Prototype: „VIVO – Harvesting and Structuring Research Information“, student project at HsH
- Policy & Standards Making: Position paper DINI AG FIS, german Wikipedia article on CRIS / FIS
- DFG application: „German Academic Web“

Thank you for your attention!

