

# 2018-06-18 VIVO Updates

**Nominations for Leadership Group open** Each year, VIVO elects three community members to serve on the VIVO Leadership Group. Any person at a VIVO member institution can nominate up to three people to serve. To make a nomination, you must be at a VIVO member institution. Not at a member institution? That's easy to fix, become a member. To become a member, see [Become a Member](#) Now that you are at member institution, send the names of the people you would like to nominate to [Kristi Searle](#) at Duraspace. You can nominate anyone you like, including people who have served as community members previously. Kristi will check with each person nominated to make sure they are willing to serve. If they are, they will be asked to provide a short bio to use in the election. Nominations are due June 25, 2018. We look forward to hearing from you!

**EuroCRIS** I had the pleasure of attending the [2018 EuroCRIS meeting](#) in Umeå Sweden this past week. EuroCRIS meets every other year, and gathers people interested in "CRIS" systems — current research information systems — these are systems that record the research outputs of a research organization. Some people refer to VIVO as a CRIS system. CRIS systems focus on research outputs, not people, and often are directly associated with repositories where the research outputs are stored. In Europe, due to open access and other compliance and reporting requirements, it is increasingly common for a university to "require" that all research outputs be stored in the university's repository. A very popular choice for such work is DSpace, another Duraspace project. DSpace-CRIS is a modification of DSpace that supports the production of simple profiles of researchers with content in the repository. Much of the conference health with issues of CRIS systems, DSpace-CRIS, and the compliance requirements.

I had the chance to meet and discuss these ideas with colleagues from the VIVO community, DSpace community, and Duraspace including Michele Minielli (Duraspace), David Baker (CASRAI), Brian Lowe (Ontocale), Tatiana Walter (TIB Hannover), Anna Guillaumet (SIGMA, and VIVO Leadership Group), Jordi Cuni (SIGMA), Andrea Bollini (4Science), Caroline Birkle (Managing Director Converis), Ed Simons (President, EuroCRIS), Anna Clements (University of Glasgow), Susana Morati (4Science), Pablo de Castro (EuroCRIS board), Jan Dvorack (Infoscience, Czech Republic), and Miguel-Angel Sicilia (University of Alcalá, Spain) .

Tatiana Walter gave an excellent talk on the effort to map KDSF in Germany to VIVO. Basic concepts of mapping were covered as well as difficulties that were resolved in the mapping of KDSF. Her talk will be available on the conference web site.

EuroCRIS has a CRIS system output format, CERIF-XML. Many CRIS systems are able to produce CERIF-XML. A mapping of CERIF-XML to VIVO was completed several years ago. It needs to be updated. With a new mapping, an XSLT could be constructed to export VIVO RDF triples from CERIF-compatible CRIS systems. We hope to hear more about the updated mapping and XSLT transform work in the months to come.

The meeting was an excellent chance to discuss CRIS concepts with European colleagues, and to keep up to date on CRIS thinking and activities in Europe.

**Membership Drive** Interested in helping VIVO grow its membership? Please contact [Julia Trimmer](#) VIVO is looking for a person to join the membership drive.

Go VIVO!  
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