

2019-05-19 VIVO Updates

Elections for Leadership Group Each year, the VIVO Project holds elections as per its charter to name a new Leadership Group to begin July 1. The Leadership selects its chair and vice chair, and names a Steering Group of its members. The [VIVO Leadership Group](#) sets the strategic direction for the project and is the primary governance group for the project. The [VIVO Steering Group](#) assists the Leadership Group by preparing proposals and agendas and discussing operational issues as needed.

For more information on the elections see [How is the VIVO Leadership Group Formed?](#)

Please consider serving on the VIVO Leadership Group!

Early bird conference registration deadline May 27 To get the lowest possible rate for registration at the VIVO conference, please register by the early bird deadline of May 27. The conference will be held in Podgorica, Montenegro, September 4-6. The organizers have received outstanding proposals and we expect to have a fabulous conference. You can register here: <http://bit.ly/2FWcRRt>

The Local Organizing Committee has selected the [Hilton Hotel](#) as our conference venue. You can also stay at the Hilton hotel where rates should be around 125 Euros per night. Alternatively, on-line sources such as [booking.com](#) and similar [web-sites](#) offer affordable luxury residential apartment accommodations located a short distance (3-5 blocks) from the conference center.

Knowledge Graph Conference Columbia University held its first [2019 Knowledge Graph Conference](#) organized by the School of Professional Studies of Columbia University and chaired by [François Scharffe](#), May 7-8, 2019. The conference brought together world experts to help people understand the benefits of knowledge graphs such as VIVO. Juan Sequeda, who's travel reports we have featured here before, was an invited speaker and produced another wonderful travel report of this important event. Please see <http://www.juansequeda.com/blog/2019/05/11/2019-knowledge-graph-conference-trip-report/>

Books for VIVO Every couple of months we post a suggestion for books to read related to VIVO. This month we are recommending a classic on open source projects, Kurt Fogel's [Producing Open Source Software: How to Run a Successful Free Software Project](#). The book is freely available on-line. The chapters cover the main topics of an open source project such as VIVO.

Perhaps beach reading for your summer holiday/vacation.

Calls this week. Looking to join a VIVO call? All are welcome! Call calendar is here: <http://bit.ly/vivo-calendar>

Go VIVO!

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