In preparation for the Workshop on Scholarly Databases & Data Integration on August 30th and 31st, 2006 at the School of Library and Information Science at Indiana University in Bloomington, Indiana, we ask you to provide a brief bio and your input to the questions below.

We plan to make your input available via the workshop web page before the meeting to ease introduction of participants. We will also use your feedback to more effectively structure the workshop.

Thank you for your time.

Biography (about 250 words)
Please provide a photo of yourself and a link to your home page and relevant sites and publications.

Ketan Mane is a Ph.D. candidate of Information Science in the School of Library and Information Science, Indiana University, Bloomington campus. His academic background includes Masters in Human Factors Engineering, and Bachelors in Biomedical Engineering. He is also a member of Information Visualization Lab, and Cyberinfrastructure for Network Science Center at Indiana University directed by Dr. Katy Börner.

His research focuses on tightly coupling data analysis, and visualization techniques. He has developed information retrieval and visualization systems based on real world data, and scholarly data. He is particularly interested in applying data analysis and visualization techniques to identify dataset characteristics from different domains.

For more information about his research and related publications, please visit [http://ella.slis.indiana.edu/~kmane](http://ella.slis.indiana.edu/~kmane)

General Questions
What is your main interest in attending the workshop?

What is your main interest in ‘data sharing’ and/or ‘data integration’?

Scholarly Datasets and Data Integration Challenges
Please provide information on the datasets you serve/use in your research.

Dataset/Project Description

Preservation – what processes or procedures are in place to keep data useable over time?

Provenance – what processes or procedures are in place to insure that the data contributed to the project is authentic and authoritative?

Privacy Policy – what policies are in place to insure the privacy of contributors and/or end researchers?

Data formats / types – what type of data is stored and in what format?

Database Technology – what database management system is used (Oracle, MySQL, etc)?

Storage Technology – what hardware is used to store the data?

Backup Strategy – with what frequency is the data backed up? Are copies kept off site? Do you have a disaster recovery plan?
Partners – what other organizations participate in this project?

Funding / Ownership – which organization owns this project, and how is this project funded?

What data integration issues are you facing/addressing in your research? Please address policy and technical level.

What data integration solutions do you use/have you developed?

Please provide references/links/pointers to relevant work, papers, and efforts.

Please send the completed document by **August 22, 2006** to Katy Borner <katy@indiana.edu> and Stacy T. Kowalczyk <skowalcz@indiana.edu> using the subject header ‘ScholarlyDB&I’.