Brief Bio and (PR)²: Problems & Pitches – Rants & Raves by Sally Crimmins Villela

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Presentations:
- Quality Assurance in the Delivery of Academic Programs Offshore at Branch Campuses and Overseas (Additional) Locations, AIEA 2014
- Issues related to Mexican immigration to the US and New York State, International Center of the Capital Region 2008 and Capital District BOCES 2009
- University overseas representational offices and program development in Mexico, NAFSA 2011
- Collaborative academic programming, the SUNY-Turkey dual diploma program as case study, CONAHEC 2005 and FAUBAI (Brazil) 2006

General Questions
1) Do you consider yourself a developer, platform user, idealist, creator, connector, etc.? I consider myself a platform user and a connector (although if “connector” has some special meaning here, I do not know it);

2) What is (are) your main interest(s) in attending the workshop? Main interest is in presenting the UCosmic platform, describing its current situation and possibilities for future and seeking the input of the group on the application and how the group might envision using it and engaging in its further development;

3) What would you like to learn / achieve at the workshop? I would like to learn from other entities about their needs and expectations for mapping international engagements of HEIs and other complex organizations;

4) What tools, services, efforts are most relevant for the topic of the workshop? Do not know.