**Brief Bio and (PR)^2: Problems & Pitches – Rants & Raves by Julia Trimmer**

As the Manager of Faculty Data Systems in the Provost’s Office at Duke University, Julia Trimmer oversees a small team that represents the business system owner for two faculty systems at Duke: dFac is the faculty HR and appointments system in Duke’s SAP portal and Scholars@Duke (scholars.duke.edu) is Duke’s research networking system for faculty members in all Duke schools. Scholars@Duke is an implementation of VIVO (vivoweb.org) and Duke recently hosted the Implementation Fest for the VIVO community in March, 2014. For Scholars@Duke, her team provides training and support to faculty members and other users as well as works closely with developers to identify new data sources and add new system functionality.

Julia started out as a technical writer and has worked in IT groups at Duke since 1996. She has a BA from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and an MS in Technical Communication from North Carolina State University.

http://vivo.vivoweb.org/display/n7253
http://scholars.duke.edu

**General Questions**

1) Do you consider yourself a developer, platform user, idealist, creator, connector, etc.?
   I consider myself a business owner representing the Provost’s office at Duke. I am operationally-focused and well-versed in the daily challenges of implementing and supporting faculty systems in higher ed.

2) What is (are) your main interest(s) in attending the workshop?
   Duke is very interested in participating in PEGASCIS to support global partnerships in science and technology. We believe that we have and are working on adding a number of data sources that could contribute to a shared system or search.

3) What would you like to learn / achieve at the workshop?
   We’d like to learn where this initiative seems to be headed, how we can help, and how we can participate in early efforts to make this available.

4) What tools, services, efforts are most relevant for the topic of the workshop?