

# 2018-12-13 Ontology Improvement Call

Thursday, December 13, 10 AM US Eastern Time

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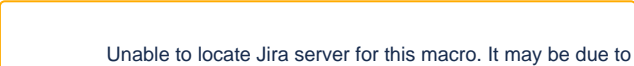



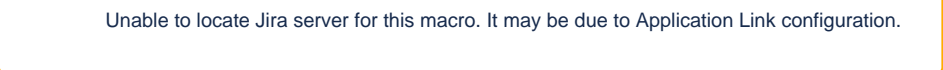
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## Attendees

- [Marijane White](#) ★
- [Mike Conlon](#)
- [Anna Kasprzik](#)
- [Ralph O'Flinn](#)
- [Muhammad Javed](#) blocked URL
- [Violeta Ilik](#)
- [Brian Lowe](#)
- [Damaris Murry](#)

## Agenda

1. Welcome to the Interest Group
  - a. Intros
  - b. questions
2. Ontology license – update
3. Identifiers – proposal is here: <http://bit.ly/2wEyy17>
  - a. Some background from RDA is here: [https://www.rd-alliance.org/system/files/PID-report\\_v6.1\\_2017-12-13\\_final.pdf](https://www.rd-alliance.org/system/files/PID-report_v6.1_2017-12-13_final.pdf)
  - b. discussion
  - c. next steps
4. December 3 sprint
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  - b.  ration.
  - c. bibo:doi 
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5. Future agenda items
  - a. Language skills
  - b. Projects and Grants

## Notes

Welcome to the Interest Group!

- Being an interest group means we're no longer focused on specific tasks/goals
- If we identify specific work/projects that need to be done, we would spin off a task force.
- The Identifiers project is a candidate for a task force.

### Ontology License updates:

Ralph: Should VIVO have its own ontology? Or bring in the best pieces and then licensing become clear cut??

Mike: Table it for now. May be 2 to 5 year idea.

May be a good topic for the conference panel? Full spectrum -- reuse nothing, reuse everything (no ontology)

Mike: Work is to identify the license of each ontology.

Marijane: We cannot license the way we want if there is no existing license. +1

Mike: We are using many ontologies. If one of them has restrictive license (and we are using a few terms), we could get rid of that ontology.

Mike: RDA report raised good points regarding what PID are and what kinds of them there are, all are mentioned in the document.

[https://www.rd-alliance.org/system/files/PID-report\\_v6.1\\_2017-12-13\\_final.pdf](https://www.rd-alliance.org/system/files/PID-report_v6.1_2017-12-13_final.pdf)

<https://jira.duraspace.org/browse/VIVO-1662?src=confmacro>

Mike: If we have relationship with bibo group, we may work together to update bibo ontology.

Data issues: How much software should help the data managers. We have annotations that help software.

We mention in ontology that an entity is a string (and perhaps a language tag), and in annotation we suggest that it should be edited with an HTML editor. Graham considers annotations as suggestions.

Ontology management issues: Current process allows a committer and an ontologist to approve a domain ontology pull request. Seems thin.

We are operating on good faith. Other ontologists should be brought in. Issues should be discussed with the interest group.

Brian: We should finish the change process we drafted.

Mike: Yes. We have scoring of issues and we have a draft process. Need to socialize the process with the rest of the community, resulting in a recorded process.

Decision: cancel the pull request by closing it

**Action items:**

1. Close the pull request
2. Move the change process forward

- ### 1. In Progress or Review Ontology Issues

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## Open Ontology Issues

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