# The astronomical Virtual Observatory and EOSC

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Research Data Sharing without barriers



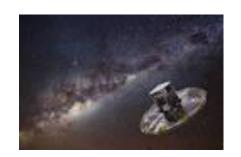
## Research infrastructures in astronomy

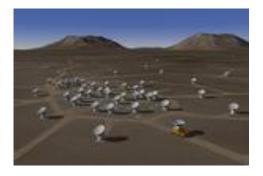












And data!

### The astronomical data infrastructure

- Includes
  - Observatory archives
  - Very large surveys
  - Value-added databases
  - Journals and the ADS bibliographic database
  - Long tail of data (results attached to publications)
  - Modeling results
- Remotely accessible services before the web
- Networked on-line services through web links

# Early standards

- A long tradition of international collaboration to build telescopes and instruments
- Early work on standards by practitioners
  - Data format FITS (1977)
    - Integrates data & metadata
    - Enables sharing telescopic observations
    - Enables tool development
  - Bibcode (late 80's)
    - Identifies a bibliographic reference
    - Human readable
    - Long before DOIs!
    - Links between databases and journals

## The astronomical Virtual Observatory

- The astronomical interoperability framework
- Developed and maintained by the International Virtual Observatory Alliance
  - Created in 2002
  - Gathers national initiatives + Euro-VO + ESA



- All continents represented
- IVOA oversees the development of interoperability standards
  - Thin interoperability layer on top of data holdings





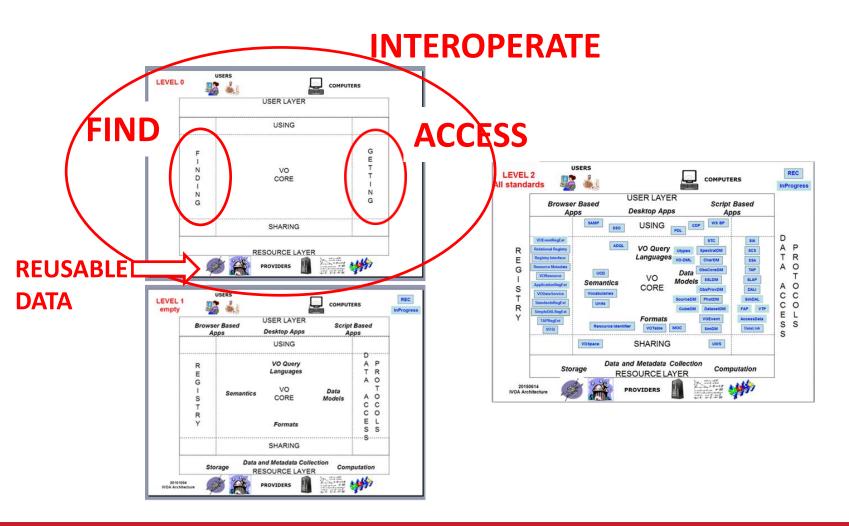
## **IVOA** members







## The VO architecture





## Astronomical data is open and FAIR

- Data providers
  - Reusable data (FITS)
  - In general short embargo period for observations
- VO developers
  - Framework to find, access, intereoperate data
  - Interoperable tools (Applications WG)

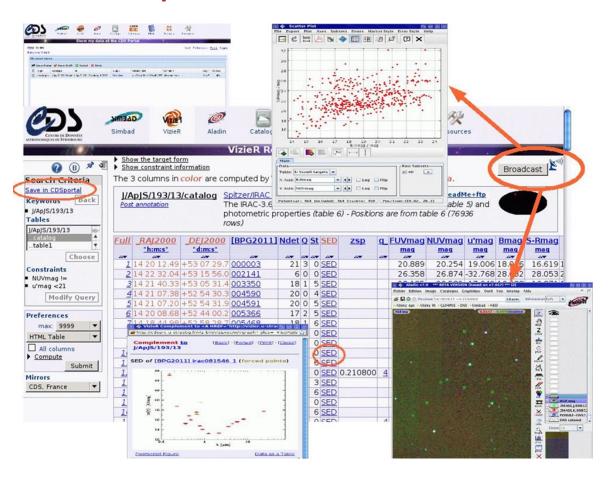
## The astronomical Virtual Research Environement

- Open and inclusive
  - Anyone can register a resource
  - Anyone can develop an interoperable tool
- More than 100 authorities declared at least a resource in the IVOA Registry of Resources
  - Big players and smaller teams
- Operational and used
  - HST: More papers from archival research than observers
  - CDS: more than 800,000 queries/day





# Interoperable VO tools



## **ASTERICS WP4 DADI**

- Data Access, Discovery and interoperability
- Make the ESFRI and pathfinder project data available for discovery and usage by the whole astronomical community, interoperable in the VO, and accessible with a set of common tools.
- Fully aligned with the current IVOA priorities





#### ESO Associate Partner; close collaboration with ESA

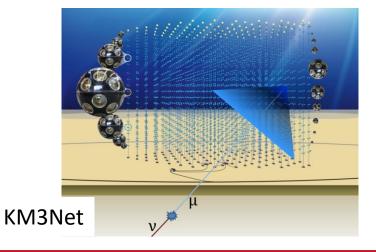


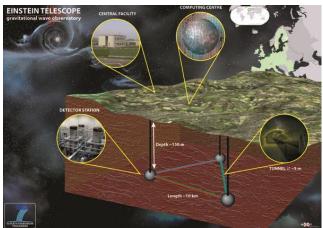
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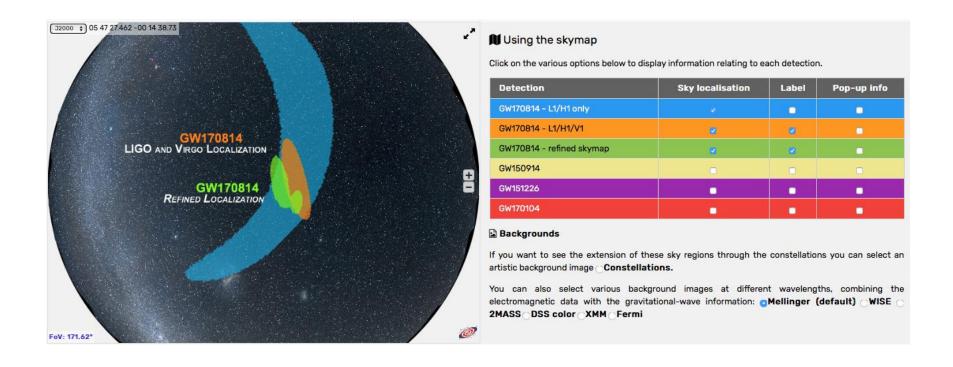




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# An example of the results



## The VO is reused

- Starting point: thin interoperability layer for astronomy
- Building blocks reused by data providers in the archival systems
- ASTERICS: Astrophysics/Astroparticle physics
- Standards and tools customized by planetary studies & the Virtual Atomic and Molecular Data Centre
- Registry customized by Material Sciences in a RDA Working Group

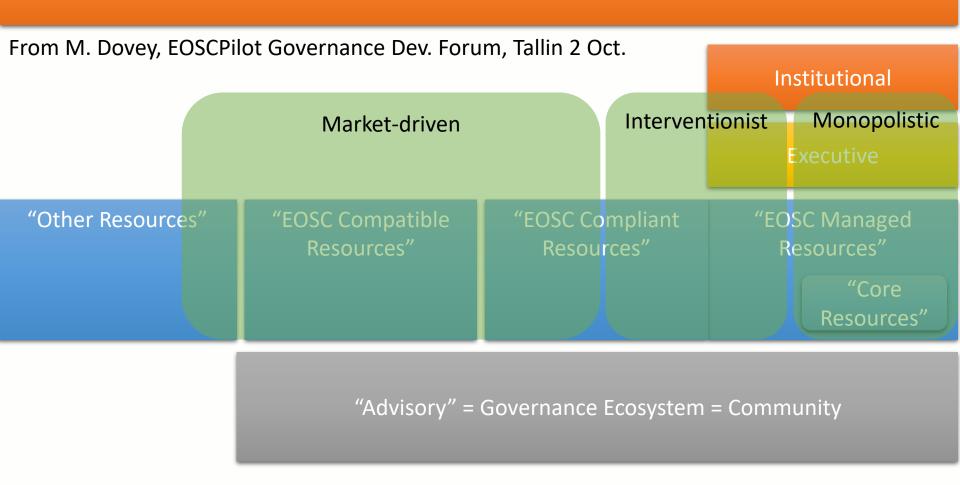
# Relationship with EOSC: services

- Seen from the scientific community community
  - « Services » are not only IT services!
  - Researchers will expect to find the data services they use everyday in the EOSC in the one-stop-shop vision
- Seen by France
  - ESFRIs and national Roadmap as starting points to build the EOSC
  - CDS is in the national Research Infrastructure Roadmap
- 'Gems' to be taken into account in governance, rules of engagement and Service Portfolio



#### **EOSC Model - Overview**

#### **Member States**



# Relationship with EOSC: services

- Exercise discussed with Jan Bot to include CDS services in the Portfolio
- Light overhead to include a service
  - Lessons learnt from the IVOA philosophy of light interoperability layer – one of the keys for success
  - Some observatory archives require their users to register, but many services are open
    - Should not impose registration

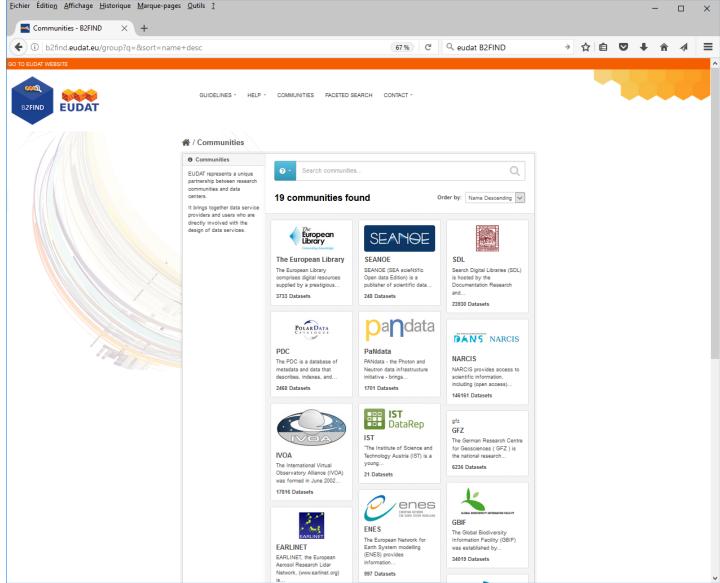
## EOSC and IVOA

- IVOA is a EUDAT B2FIND Community
- The IVOA Registry of Resources is already included in EUDAT B2FIND
  - Both are OAI-PMH
  - IVOA RoR includes the whole Dublin core plus disciplinary extensions
- Huge work on Semantics in IVOA



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# Computation

- Astronomers use local, regional, national and European facilities for computing
- « Bring computing near data »
- Interoperability between data and computing infrastructures
- Must be transparent to end users

# Key requirements

- The astronomy on-line services and the VO are used by the community in their daily work and should be « in » the EOSC
- Users are both the science community and the data providers
- Any loss of the capacity to fulfil the users' needs would be an issue
- Light overhead to join
- Possibility to interoperate with EOSC components