# How to use Data Models to Enhance Interoperability in the VO

Workshop After-sales

# Why Using Models in the VO

#### What could I do with the models that I can't do now?

- Get a clean representation of the coordinate systems
- Get a clean representation of the errors
- Support cross-columns parameters
  - Columns grouping
  - Complex errors (pos + pm + parallax)
- Gather data from multi-table VOTable (sources + detection)
- Exchange model instances with SAMP

We need models and tools to convince people to go into that way

# Chicken-Egg DM Deadlock

Let's consider we have working proposals for both models and annotation

Client developer

I'll support model mapping when data providers will annotate their data

Data provider

I'll annotate my data when client developers will be able to process annotated data

Final users won't break the loop

I can live without annotated data

# A DM Workshop to break the loop

Working group committed by the TCG to run a workshop to build a consensus that can get the modeling activities back on the road

FEBRUARY 2021: use case workbench setup

- Use-case: raw data
- Proposal: Annotated VOTable + documentation
- Issues + Wiki

#### MARCH-APRIL 2021: open contributions

- Exercice
- Comment
- Proposals

MAY 2021: Report at Interop

July 2021: Mapping syntax finalized

# Workshop Key Facts

#### Models

- Meas Coord
  - New Lon/Lat point class
  - Complete the RFC
- Cube
  - Start the PR process
- Mango
  - Implementation of the the modification suggested while the workshop
  - Start the PR process

#### Mapping syntax

- Write the specification
- Provide validators and parsers
- Start the PR process

### After Workshop Roadmap

**Top Priority:** allowing third persons to exercise the mapping framework

- Providing the mapping syntax with some tooling
- Finalizing component models



