The VizieR catalogues system certified by the "Data Seal of Approval"

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Data Seal of Approval

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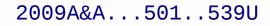
# Open Data, what does it means for data center ?



Open data is a very active concept, demanded by authorities for publicly funded, especially for science data.

• The first mission consists of data **preservation** and to give **free access** 

In returns users have to cite the origin (author, article) with persistent identifier









- The second mission consists of providing **useful data** FAIR : Fundable, Accessible, Interoperable, Reusable
  - The basic meta-data
    - e.g. to provide table means the tables, column description, unit and everything needed for the data understanding
  - Rich meta-data which can be reused by softwares
     → interoperability : protocols, formats (IVOA)



## DSA certification



## DSA: Data Seal of Approval <a href="http://datasealofapproval.org/en/">http://datasealofapproval.org/en/</a>

- The first edition of the DSA: 2008
- Dedicated to science data repositories
- A trusted-based certification simple to get than ISO

#### To get the DSA certification

The CDS (VizieR) has been certified by the DSA since 2014

- 16 criteria to document
- Certification has to be renewed every 3 years





## The DSA requirements

#### New set of requirements in 2017

- WDS (World Data System) and DSA announce unified requirements → Common board and same criteria issued from work in RDA WORLD DATA SYSTEM
- Importance of data reusability

#### DSA requirements based on the following five criteria:

- The data can be found on the Internet
- The data are accessible (clear rights and licences)
- The data are in a usable format
- The data are reliable
- The data are identified in a unique and persistent way so that they can be referred to





## □ DSA evaluation



- 1. Answer the criteria and make the documentation
  - Auto-evaluation to indicate the compliance levels for each criteria
    - Not applicable e.g.: crit. confidentiality/ethic : VizieR is not subject to disclosure risk
    - 4 levels: Not considered it  $\rightarrow$  implemented
- 2. DSA Peer review evaluation
  - 1 DSA + 1 WDS reviewer evaluate the responses and write a report
  - The Board examines the report and decides whether to allow the Seal to the data center
- 3. The Data center certification seal

The answers will be public and available in the DSA website and the DSA logo can be displayed in the data center website

## DSA criteria



- Crit. 1: Mission/Scope : The repository has an explicit mission to provide access to and preserve data in its domain.
- Crit. 2:Licences : The repository maintains all applicable licenses covering data access and use and monitors compliance.
- Crit. 3 : Continuity of access : The repository has a continuity plan to ensure ongoing access to and
  preservation of its holdings.
- Crit. 4: Confidentiality/Ethics : The repository ensures, to the extent possible, that data are created, curated, accessed, and used in compliance with disciplinary and ethical norms.
- Crit. 5 : Organizational infrastructure : The repository has adequate funding and sufficient numbers of qualified staff managed through a clear system of governance to effectively carry out the mission.
- Crit. 6: Expert guidance: The repository adopts mechanism(s) to secure ongoing expert guidance and feedback (either in-house, or external, including scientific guidance, if relevant).
- Crit. 7: Data integrity and authenticity: The repository guarantees the integrity and authenticity of the data.
- Crit. 8: Appraisal : The repository accepts data and metadata based on defined criteria to ensure relevance and understandability for data users.
- Crit. 9 : Documented storage procedures : The repository applies documented processes and procedures in managing archival storage of the data.
- Crit. 10: Preservation plan : The repository assumes responsibility for long-term preservation and manages this
  function in a planned and documented way.
- Crit.11: Data quality : The repository has appropriate expertise to address technical data and metadata quality and ensures that sufficient information is available for end users to make quality-related evaluations.
- Crit. 12: Workflows : Archiving takes place according to defined workflows from ingest to dissemination.
- Crit. 13 : Data discovery and identification : The repository enables users to discover the data and refer to them
  in a persistent way through proper citation.
- Crit. 14: Data reuse : The repository enables reuse of the data over time, ensuring that appropriate metadata are available to support the understanding and use of the data.
- Crit. 15: Technical infrastructure : The repository functions on well-supported operating systems and other core
  infrastructural software and is using hardware and software technologies appropriate to the services it provides
  to its Designated Community.
  - Crit. 16: Security : The technical infrastructure of the repository provides for protection of the facility and its data, products, services, and users.

#### 16 criteria grouped into 3 topics

- **Organization** (4 criteria)
  - Mission
  - Continuity of access
  - contracts ...
- Data management (9 criteria)
  - Licences
  - Integrity and authenticity checking
  - identification
  - meta-data assignment
  - SI description (OAIS)
  - scientific expertise
- **Technology & security** (3 items) monitoring, softwares, backup, ...

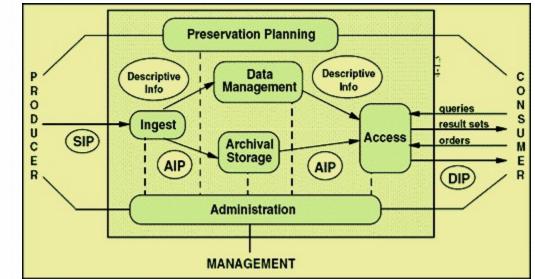
## **Describing the Information System**



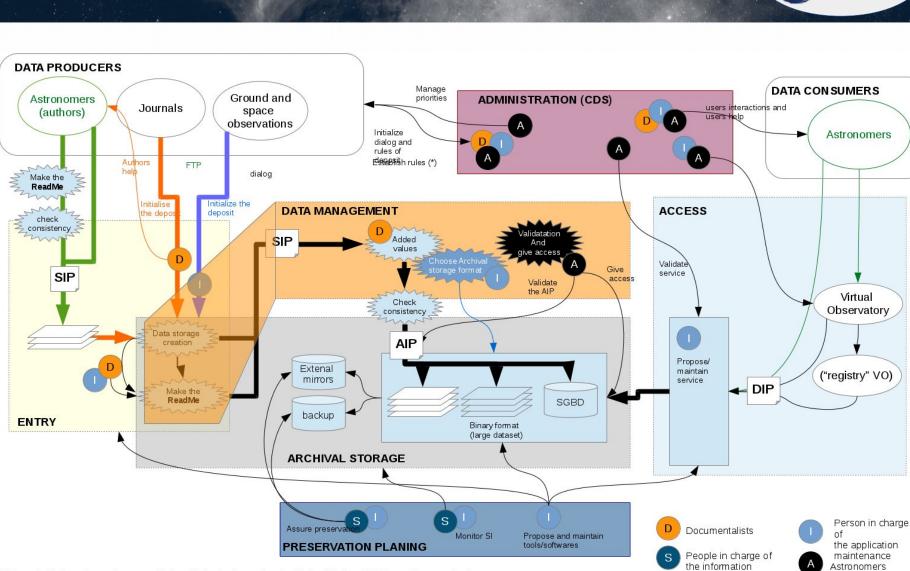
### **OAIS**: Open Archive Information System (norme OAIS, ISO 14721)

Defines a reference model and an editing guideline to describe an Information System (including the system, architecture, staff).

- The packaging information describes data together with meta-data •
  - **SIP** : Submit Information Package
  - **AIP** : Archival Information Package
  - **DIP** : Diffusion Information Package
- The OAIS entities •
  - the worflow description from the input to the dissemination
  - the preservation strategy for the long term
  - The data management
  - The archivage storage



## □ The VizieR Information System



(\*) Depend of the journals: moral contract with the publisher, implementation of archiving obligations (A & A), conditions on upload ...

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system maintenance.

# The VO in the Data preservation context



#### VO responses to DSA criteria

- Open archive concept (from OAIS)
  - dissemination, free access
  - a source of proposals, outer from the Data Center with a scientific expertise
- Data acces :
  - Reusability/Interoperability with standardized format, protocols to access data
  - Dicovery: the IVO-ID, the registry
- Sandardized meta-data that can be applied on OAIS-packages

Criteria for which the VO doesn't provide solution

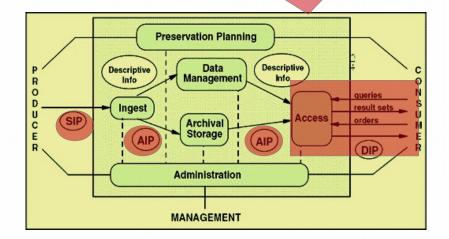
- Aspects which are in the charge of the Data Center
  - Local Organization and political aspects
  - Technology
  - Preservation strategy
    - Security/Backups
    - Long term management
  - Data curation
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    - Licence management
    - Integrity & Authenticity checking



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Criteria for which the VO provides solutions Criteria for which the VO provides partial solutions Not the business of the VO







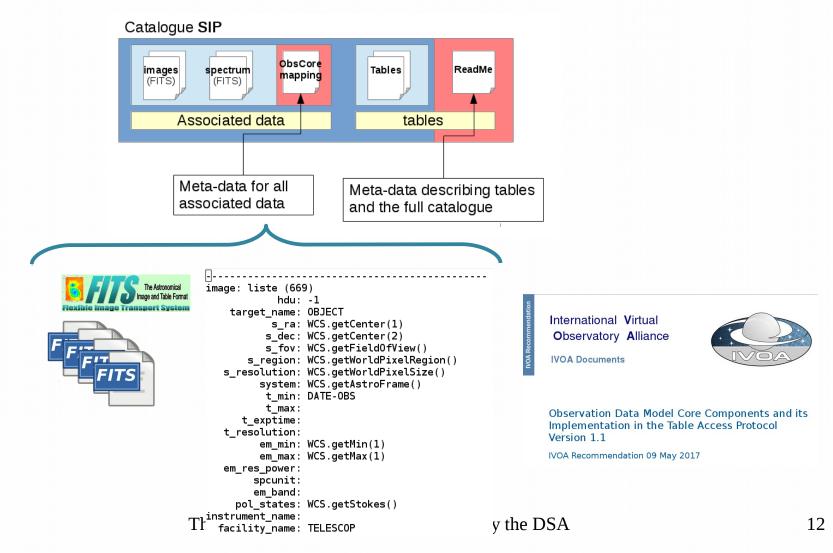
Example of standards usefull for DSA

- Meta-data & semantic
  - UCD
  - VO Data Model : ObsCore, Provenance build on W3C standards, ..
  - ...
- Format
  - Votable based on XML
- Data access / protocols
  - TAP based on SQL
  - Access protocols on HTTP: SIA, SSA, SCS ....
  - Registry based on OAI-PMH

### Example of Submission Information Package in VizieR



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## **Providing useful data**



#### Constitution of the Diffusion package (DIP)

#### Example: the VOTable (XML) output of images meta-data for the catalogue The RMS survey (J/A+A/501/539)

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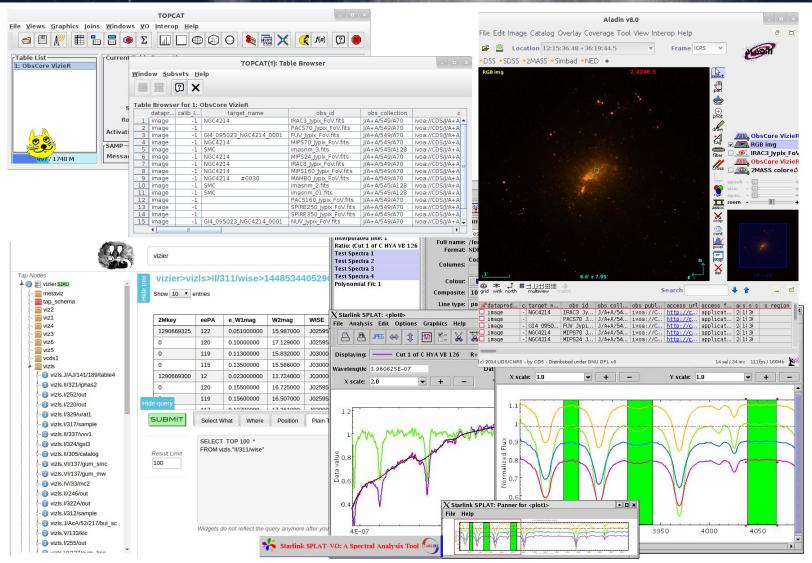
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# Providing useful data with added values





## Conclusion



- A good description of the workflows is an important part of the documentation required to get the DSA certification.
- Other important aspects -not developped in this talk- which are in charge of the Data repositories
  - Political aspects : the continuity of access & funding
  - Technical infrastructure : redundancy and data security level
  - Long term preservation strategy ...
- The new criteria are adapted to VizieR in the astronomical context which has an advanced disciplinary data sharing framework with the Virtual Observatory that enables interoperability