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International Virtual Observatory Alliance  
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Dear Dr. Pasian:

Continuing previous e-mail contacts about an association of the Observatório Virtual Brasileiro (OVV; Brazilian Virtual Observatory) to the International Virtual Observatory Alliance (IVOA), it is my pleasure to submit herewith, in the name of its members, the formal request of the OVB to become a member of the IVOA.

I attach to this letter a small document about the organizational structure of the OVB which includes also a list of the currently ongoing VO projects. I am happy to provide additional information should you consider them necessary for the IVOA to come to a conclusion about our request.

Expressing my hope for a long-lasting and fruitful collaboration between the Brazilian Virtual Observatory and the numerous national VO efforts worldwide, organized in the IVOA, I remain

with kind regards,



Albert Bruch  
LNA Director