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HOW CAN MARK SUPPORT YOU?

I can help by spreading the word on Open Science and FAIR principles, highlighting the example of the astronomical “Virtual Observatory” framework that builds on domain-specific international standards, and provides access to a sky full of rich data.

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