**Personal Statement for the Fluid Dynamics CDT**

**This proforma provides structure for the Personal/Supporting Statement.
It has been designed to ensure that all applicants provide details of key criteria we use for assessing applications.**

***Please answer the 4 questions below.***

**1. What motivates you to do a PhD? (100 words)**

Click or tap here to enter text.

**2. Why are you particularly interested in Fluid Dynamics? (100 words)**

Click or tap here to enter text.

**3. Describe the skills you have gained through education, work &/or personal life that you will help you in your PhD (200 words)**

Click or tap here to enter text.

**4. Is there anything else you would like to tell us about your personal circumstances\*?** Please note: this question is optional

Click or tap here to enter text.

*\*All students experience different challenges throughout their careers, leading to different opportunities and outcomes. We seek to recruit students with the potential to thrive in a PhD training environment, regardless of what opportunities may have been available to them and what barriers they may have faced beforehand. We take an evidence based approach that recognises that for many reasons - such as belonging to a marginalised group, having caring responsibilities, financial disadvantage, being the first in your family to attend university, suffering significant illness or bereavement, and so on - a student’s potential is not always accurately reflected in grades.*

*Details given in response to question 4 provide context for each application which can be taken into account during review. Any information provided will be shared only with the interview panel and will not be kept on record. The student will not be asked to expand on this information by the panel but is welcome to discuss it further themselves if they choose. We stress that this is not about giving advantages to certain students but helping to take into account disadvantages that have been faced.*