

Open call for proposals to start a new Special Interest Group

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Overview

This document explains how to apply to start a new UKFN Special Interest Group (SIG). See <https://fluids.ac.uk/sig> for the current list of active SIGs. Your new group should be distinct from the SIGs in this list.

If approved, UKFN will provide support to the new SIG in the form of a dedicated page on the UKFN website (see <https://fluids.ac.uk/sig>) as well as publicity via the weekly newsletter, website and social media.

SIGs are expected to maintain some level of activity, currently a minimum of one activity per year. The UKFN will monitor SIGs, and suggest they retire if they have been inactive for 18 months.

Procedure

To apply, please prepare your proposal using the template below, and send it to sig@fluids.ac.uk. Proposals will be reviewed in batches, according to the following schedule, and notified of the result within 1 week:

- 31 October 2020
- 31 December 2020
- 28 February 2021
- 30 April 2021
- 30 June 2021

Please send any questions to sig@fluids.ac.uk.

Proposal format

1. SIG title
2. Description of SIG (up to 300 words, excluding titles):
 - a. Subject and scope
 - b. Objectives
3. Proposed members

Please list the researchers who will participate, their affiliation, and their broad area of expertise. At least three academic institutions should take part. For SIGs with industrial involvement, we would suggest typically three participants from industry. Please nominate a SIG leader, who will be the point of contact with UKFN, and a co-leader from a different organisation.

4. Contact details

Please give the name, affiliation (institution and department) and email address of the proposed leader and co-leader.