



## Sandpit Application Form – Expression of Interest

Please complete and email to: [sandpit@epsrc.ac.uk](mailto:sandpit@epsrc.ac.uk)

**PLEASE NOTE:** Each EoI should be **no longer than two sides** and in a readable and reasonably sized font. HINT- we are not looking for your academic publication or research track record, but rather how you might approach cross-disciplinary problems in this area and the sandpit.

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| <b>Name:</b>   | <b>Dept:</b>        |
| <b>Email:</b>  | <b>Institution:</b> |
| <b>Title of sandpit:</b>   |                     |
| <b>Brief summary of background information about yourself relevant to this sandpit:</b><br>(1,000 characters including spaces) |                     |
| <b>What expertise do you bring that is relevant to the topic?</b><br>(1,000 characters including spaces)                       |                     |

**If selected to participate, would you be happy to share this front page with other participants? Yes  No**

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| <p><b>Please spend some time responding to the following questions. Your answers to these will be used to distinguish your application and convince us that you have the skills and attitude necessary to participate in the sandpit. (Guide: 100 words each)</b></p>   |              |
| <p><b>a: What is your approach to team working?</b><br/>(700 characters including spaces)</p>   |              |
| <p><b>b: How would you describe your ability to explain your research to non-experts?</b><br/>(700 characters including spaces)</p>   |              |
| <p><b>c: The sandpit will be especially suited to individuals who are willing to step outside their particular area of interest or expertise, who are positively driven, who enjoy creative activity, who can think innovatively and who can settle in easily in the company of strangers. How well do you see yourself fitting in?</b><br/>(700 characters including spaces)</p> |              |
| <p><b>d: What do you hope to gain from participating in this sandpit?</b><br/>(700 characters including spaces)</p>   |              |

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# EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES MONITORING FORM

EPSRC operates a policy of equality and fair treatment in employment.

We aim to ensure that all applications are treated fairly, regardless of gender, age, ethnic origin or disability. To help us achieve this aim the information from this form helps us to monitor the effectiveness of our policy.

Completing this form is **optional**; however, if you wish to fill in the form, please return it with your Expression of Interest. It will be removed from your application and the information you have provided will be used for statistical monitoring purposes only.

## DATA PROTECTION STATEMENT

The information provided on this form will be used initially for the purpose of monitoring applications to the sandpit only. If you are unsuccessful, the form will be retained for approximately four months and then shredded. If successful, the form will be filed and some data entered into our personnel databases for administrative purposes only.

### Name

**Gender**     Male     Female

### What is your ethnic group?

Choose **one** section from A to E, please tick the appropriate box to indicate your cultural background

#### A. White

- British
- Irish
- Any other White background (please write below)

#### B. Mixed

- White & Black Caribbean
- White & Black African
- White & Asian
- Any other Mixed background (please write below)

#### C. Asian or Asian British

- Indian
- Pakistani
- Bangladeshi
- Any other Asian background (please write below)

#### D. Black & Black British

- Caribbean
- African
- Any other Black background (please write below)

#### E. Chinese or Other Ethnic Group

- Chinese
- Any other background (please write below)

**What is your religion or belief?**

- Christian       Buddhist       Hindu       Jewish  
 Muslim       Sikh       None       Prefer Not to Say

Other (Please Specify)

**Disability**

Do you consider yourself to have a disability as defined by the Disability Discrimination Act (1995)?

- Yes       No

Please indicate the nature of your disability and outline any adjustments you may need to assist you for the purpose of the sandpit

**What is your age range?**

- 16 – 19 years     20 – 29 years     30 – 39 years     40 – 49 years  
 50 – 59 years     60+ years

Thank you for completing this form.