

Preface

This Special Issue of the *International Journal for Numerical Methods in Fluids* consists of papers originally submitted to the Ninth in the triennial ICFD conference series on Numerical Methods for Fluid Mechanics, held at the University of Reading in 2007 under the aegis of the Institute for Computational Fluid Dynamics (ICFD). The ICFD is a joint enterprise associated with the Universities of Oxford and Reading. The Institute comprises numerical analysis staff and students at the Universities of Oxford and Reading together with their joint research programmes in computational fluid dynamics. It is based in the Numerical Analysis Group of the Computing Laboratory and in the Mathematical Institute at Oxford and in the Department of Mathematics at Reading.

The aim of the conference, as in previous years, was to bring together mathematicians, engineers and other scientists in the field of computational fluid dynamics to review recent advances in mathematical and computational techniques for modelling fluid flows. The Steering Committee consisted of

Dr Malcom Arthur (QinetiQ Farnborough)
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The abstracts submitted to the Conference were filtered by members of the Steering Committee prior to the Conference, but the final papers submitted to this Special Issue have been fully peer reviewed.

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