This International Handbook of Education for the Changing World of Work is dedicated to Professor David N. Wilson. David Wilson contributed significantly to the development of this handbook, from the planning stages and the process of identifying contributors, through to the assembly of completed chapters into a prototype. It is very unfortunate that David did not live long enough to see the final product of his hard and cherished labour. However, he will be remembered for his leadership role and the important intellectual guidance he provided to this project.

David Wilson was an outstanding teacher and a world-class scholar in the field of development education. He has trained and mentored many graduate students who are playing key leadership roles in development education throughout the world, be they policy-makers, researchers or practitioners. As a researcher, David has contributed substantially to furthering our understanding of the field of comparative education and of development education, particularly as it relates to education for the world of work. His prolific scholarly contribution is a legacy left behind as a testimony of his commitment and dedication to his profession and to the advancement of knowledge and of humanity. David was firmly committed throughout his life to international development and, as such, was very keen to use education as leverage to improve human conditions with regard to poverty alleviation, improved equity and justice, especially in developing countries.

Those who have worked with David over the years will unanimously agree that he was not only a good collaborator, but also a good friend. David will be missed a great deal, but his memory and sphere of influence will live on through his students and through the legacy of his extensive range of scholarly works.