Notes on contributors

Cathy Crumbley is the Program Director of the Lowell Center for Sustainable Production at the University of Massachusetts Lowell. She has worked in an environmental consulting firm and on research, education, training, and communications projects at several organizations concerned with environmental and social justice issues. She holds degrees in biology and environmental science.

Michael Fiddy received his Ph.D. from the University of London in 1977, where he was a faculty member at King’s College until 1987. From 1987 to 2001 he was at UMass Lowell, where, from 1994 to 2001, he was head of the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering. He also co-directed the Center for Electromagnetic Materials and Optical Systems. In 2002, he joined the University of North Carolina at Charlotte as a professor and director of the Center for Optoelectronics and Optical Communications. He is editor-in-chief of *Waves in Random Media*, and was topical editor for signal and image processing for the Optical Society of America from 1994 to 2001. He is a fellow of the Optical Society of America, the Institute of Physics and the Society of Photo-Optical Engineers.

Robert Forrant is Associate Professor in the Department of Regional Economic and Social Development, University of Massachusetts Lowell. He is a co-editor of *Approaches to Sustainable Regional Development: The Public University in the Regional Economy*, University of Massachusetts Press, 2001. He is completing a manuscript on the rise and decline of industry in the Connecticut River Valley of Western New England and has worked as a consultant to the International Labour Organization and the United Nations Industrial Development Organization.

Nancy Kleniewski recently assumed the position of Provost at Bridgewater State College in Bridgewater, MA. From 1996 until 2002, she was Dean of Fine Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences and Professor of Sociology at the University of Massachusetts Lowell. She was educated at Emmanuel College and Temple University and taught urban sociology at SUNY Geneseo. Dr. Kleniewski is the author of four books and several articles on
topics such as urban renewal, welfare, immigration, housing policy and economic development. She is an editorial board member of the *Journal of Urban Affairs* and the *Journal of Sociology and Social Welfare*. Dr. Kleniewski is currently studying how colleges and universities can contribute to community development.

**William Lazonick** is University Professor in the Department of Regional Economic and Social Development at the University of Massachusetts Lowell. He holds a joint appointment with INSEAD (the European Institute of Business Administration), where he co-directs a project on corporate governance, innovation and economic performance. Previously, he was Assistant and Associate Professor of Economics at Harvard University (1975–84) and Professor of Economics at Barnard College, Columbia University (1985–93). He has also been on the faculties of the University of Tokyo, University of Toronto and Harvard Business School, and was a visiting member of the Institute for Advanced Study in Princeton.

**Mateja Mesl** is State Secretary at the Ministry of the Economy, Government of Slovenia.

**Verónica Montecinos** is Associate Professor of Sociology at the Pennsylvania State University, McKeesport Campus. She is the author of *Economists, Politics and the State: Chile 1958–1994* and has published research on regional integration, the economics profession, and the effects of market reforms on women in the *Review of Social Economy*, *Journal of Public Policy*, *Latin American Research Review*, *Studies in Comparative International Development*, *Journal of Economic Perspectives* and in several edited books. She recently completed a study of technocratic policy-making and parliamentary accountability in Chile for the United Nations Research Institute for Social Development, and is currently co-editing a collection of essays on the history of economics in Latin America.

**Mary O’Sullivan** is currently an Associate Professor of Strategy and Management at INSEAD. She completed her undergraduate degree at University College Dublin and subsequently received an MBA from Harvard Business School and a Ph.D. in Business Economics from Harvard University. Her broad research interests include corporate control, national and regional economic development as well as the history of economic thought. In April 2000 she published a book entitled *Contests for Corporate Control* with Oxford University Press. With William Lazonick, O’Sullivan is currently co-directing a three-year research project
funded by the European Commission on ‘Corporate Governance, Innovation, and Economic Performance’ (www.insead.fr/projects/cgep).

**Tea Petrin** is a Professor of Economics and Entrepreneurship at the Faculty of Economics, University of Ljubljana, Slovenia. Her work mainly involves teaching and research in industrial competitiveness, entrepreneurship, market structure, restructuring of enterprises and industrial policy. She is a member of the editorial board of the *Review of Industrial Organisation*, a member of the international editorial board of the *Economic and Business Review for Central and South-Eastern Europe* and a member of the European Association for Industrial Economics. Currently she is a Minister of the Economy in the Government of Slovenia.

**Jean L. Pyle** is a Professor in the Department of Regional Economic and Social Development and Co-Director of the Center for Women and Work at the University of Massachusetts Lowell. An economist, her recent research analyses the effects of globalization on women. She also examines factors that constrain the effective use of diverse peoples in US workplaces and has written about the impact of state policies on women’s economic roles in Singapore and Ireland. She co-edited *Approaches to Sustainable Development: The Public University in the Regional Economy* and is the author of *The State and Women in the Economy: Lessons from Sex Discrimination in the Republic of Ireland*. She has consulted for UNIDO on gender and development issues.

**Steven Quimby** is a doctoral candidate in the Public Policy Program at the University of Massachusetts Boston. His current research includes work on the relationship between regional economic growth and equity and career ladders programs for low-income workers. He has also conducted research on workforce development program implementation and evaluation and on the impact of urban development projects on lower-income community residents. Previously, he worked for more than ten years on workforce and youth development programs for the Dorchester (MA) YMCA.

**Jamuna Ramakrishna** has a Ph.D. in Geography from the University of Hawaii, Manoa. Her dissertation was on indoor air pollution in rural India. Her academic training focused on environmental management and medical geography. Since 1992, she has been working as a Program Officer at the India Regional Office of Hivos (Humanist Institute for Co-operation with Developing Countries). She maintains interests in issues concerning energy, environment, development and gender. At Hivos, she interacts with a wide
variety of civil society organizations, and has had the opportunity to observe and support emerging collaborations between these organizations and universities.

**Linda Silka**, University Professor in the Department of Regional Economic and Social Development at the University of Massachusetts Lowell, also co-directs the Center for Family, Work and Community. A social and community psychologist by training, Dr. Silka develops programs that create community–university partnerships, including the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences’ funded Southeast Environmental Justice Partnership and a Community Outreach Partnership Center funded through US Housing and Urban Development. Dr. Silka has been nationally recognized for her work with immigrant and refugee groups, particularly in using new technologies (such as geographic information systems) to address long-standing community challenges.

**Morshidi Sirat** is Professor of Geography in the School of Humanities and Director of the National Higher Education Research Institute at the Universiti Sains Malaysia, Penang, Malaysia. He teaches Geography of Services, Regional Development Planning, Industrial Geography, Economic and Development Geography and Urban Geography. His current research interests focus on air cargo services and the high-tech electronic industries in Malaysia, urban competitiveness in Malaysia, the university in regional development, and globalizing Kuala Lumpur. His latest book, *Producer Services in Cities of the Asia Pacific Economic Region: The Case of Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia*, was published this year by Nova Science Publishers, Inc. Huntington, New York.

**Joel Tickner** is a Research Assistant Professor at the Lowell Center For Sustainable Production, University of Massachusetts Lowell. His training is in toxic chemicals policy, epidemiology, risk assessment and pollution prevention. He has served as an adviser and researcher for several non-profit environmental groups and trade unions both in the US and abroad during the past seven years. He was co-coordinator of the Wingspread Conference on the Precautionary Principle and co-editor of the book *Protecting Public Health and the Environment: Implementing the Precautionary Principle*. He holds a Master of Science degree in Environmental Studies from the University of Montana and a Doctor of Science degree in Pollution Prevention and Cleaner Production from the University of Massachusetts Lowell and for three years was an Environmental Protection Agency STAR Fellow.
Renata Vitez is State Secretary at the Ministry of the Economy, Government of Slovenia.

John Wooding is Professor and Chair of the Department of Regional Economic and Social Development at the University of Massachusetts Lowell. He is trained as a political scientist and received his Ph.D. from Brandeis University. He specializes in international political economy, European politics, British politics, and occupational and environmental health policy. He is co-author (with Charles Levenstein) of two books: The Point of Production: The Political Economy of the Work Environment, Guilford Press, 1999, and Work, Health, And Environment: Old Problems, New Solutions, Guilford Press, 1997.