

# Te Rito o te Mātauranga Experiential Learning for the Third Millennium

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The International Consortium for Experiential Learning (ICEL) traces its beginnings to the first international conference on experiential learning held in London in June 1987, which resulted in the landmark book *Making Sense of Experiential Learning: Diversity in Theory and Practice* (1989). Subsequent conferences have continued to attract an extraordinary range of people from all over the world, including researchers, teachers, change agents, students, community workers and administrators.

*Te Rito o te Mātauranga* continues this tradition, bringing together the ideas, experiences, hopes and visions for the future of 47 participants at the seventh conference at Waipapa marae, Auckland. The contributors to these two volumes come from nine countries and many backgrounds – first and third world, traditional, modern, emerging and first nations. They bring to a wider audience the dialogue which the conference fostered and exemplified. The challenges of the third millennium become a cause for hope. The centred diversity of experiential learning frees people to transcend their differences and to create educational and social systems that will deepen communication and unblock creativity.

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