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Message from the Guest Editors

The focus of this Special Issue is on VET and its role in preparing students for life after secondary school, whether that leads to postsecondary education or directly into a career. It is becoming increasingly necessary for VET programs to justify their existence. Under this context, this issue will explore how VET participation is beneficial to students, whether that be in immediate entry into the workforce, long-term success, the promotion of broader employability skills, or an indepth examination of characteristics of VET participants. Scholars are encouraged to explore this overarching idea through a variety of lenses—education, sociological, criminal justice, economic, etc.—in an effort to suggest cross-national recommendations for improving and encouraging VET participation. Keywords

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- Workforce development
- Education and career outcomes

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