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Preface

This is the fourth in a series of volumes looking back upon my journal contributions to select topics and locating them in terms of their own time and subsequent developments (Fine, 2024a–c for the first three volumes). This one is different from the others. First and foremost, most of the material included has not been previously published other than as Working Papers. Second, the source of the previous work, and the theme/topic is derived from the EU-funded Fessud project on the impact of financialisation (see Appendix 1 to Chapter 1). Third, although other volumes occasionally relied upon co-authors for a contribution, those here draw heavily upon co-authors, and especially Kate Bayliss, Mary Robertson and Alfredo Saad-Filho. In addition, many other researchers contributed through their research and Fessud Background and Working Papers even though these are not reproduced here (see Appendices 2 and 3 to Chapter 1 – these are given their own set of references and give a sense of the weight and momentum of the contribution made by the Fessud research). Last and not least, I was in the middle of preparing a fourth volume when switching to this one. It was targeting development economics/studies. It is liable to be next up, most likely to be split in two to form both Volumes five and six.

As always, thanks are due to my co-authors and all those who have contributed, directly or indirectly, wittingly or unwittingly, to making this volume possible. Fuller acknowledgements along these lines and the rationale for this series is to be found in the Prefaces to the previous volumes.