This volume of the IARTEM e-Journal is a special edition.

Our colleague and IARTEM Board Member, Dr. Mike Horsley had been its lead editor since 2007. For the last nine years, Mike was responsible for performing the necessary tasks in the production of this scientific publication. It is a large amount of work and Mike did it with responsibility and competence, supported by his colleagues from the Central Queensland University (Australia). The relevance of the e-Journal was expressed and repeated by him in each one of the volumes: “The e-Journal provides an international forum for research publications on textbooks and educational media”. In fact, the e-Journal became a privileged space for discussing teaching and learning materials and the complex constitutive relationships entailed in their production, circulation and appropriation by teachers and students. In the last editions, the journal became open for contributions in Portuguese and Spanish, which was a change envisioned by Mike and executed by the IARTEM Board.

Sadly our friend Mike Horsley, the vice president of IARTEM and Chief Editor of the IARTEM e-Journal, passed away on September 2nd, 2016. Thus, the editorial group was requested to assume the publishing of the IARTEM e-Journal.

This volume is a transitional edition – it is both a tribute to Mike as well as the beginning of a new phase.

We would also like to take this opportunity to assert our commitment to the e-Journal and its future development and invite the readers to enjoy the papers presented in this volume – written in English, Spanish and Portuguese – which consolidate and move forward in the direction of a multilingual publication.

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