FOREWORD

Wilton Park Conference No. 279 on "Technology, Job Creation and Unemployment" was unique in several ways. It was an extremely timely conference on a very important subject. The interest in it was much greater than even the organizers had anticipated, hence additional space of accommodation had to be obtained. The conference was co-sponsored by the U.S. Mission to the European Communities which indicates the interest attached to it from the North American side. Finally, the presentations, particularly the key address, were of very high quality representing near to official positions on increasingly urgent issues. For these reasons detailed coverage of the more formal part of the conference is merited.