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KEES DORST has a background in industrial design and philosophy. After a career in design practice, he has moved to academia where he studies the way designers think and work. He is now Professor of Design at the University of Technology, Sydney. He has published numerous articles and four books-most recently the book 'Understanding Design-175 reflections on being a designer'.

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