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SLA EUROPE: WINNER OF INFORMATION PROFESSIONAL AWARD 2008 (SLA Europe IP 2008)

The Board of SLA Europe is delighted to announce that the winner of the 2008 SLA Europe Information Professional Award (SLA Europe IP) is Dennie Heye, Information Scientist at the Shell International Exploration and Production (SIEP) Information Management Services.

The SLA Europe IP Award is now in its 15th year. It recognises individuals working in Europe who have demonstrated outstanding achievement in the information profession. Past winners include Janet Hopkins, Drueker (Germany), Marie-Madeleine Salmon, Publicis (France), Steve Borley, Royal Bank of Scotland (UK) and Margareta Nelke of Tetra Pak (Sweden)).

Dennie Heye receives the Award for his work in the wider community of information professionals. SLA Europe recognises that Dennie's interest in his profession does not end with Shell: he has been a member of SLA since 1998 and is the International Relations Chair of the SLA's Division of Petroleum of Energy Resources. He is also involved in two Dutch organisations for the information profession, NVB (the Dutch library association) and NIC foundation (a group of senior librarians from corporate and technical academic libraries, focussing on strategy and innovation). His outlook on the information world is refreshingly modern and incisive as witnessed in his publications and presentations.

Dennie has also pushed out the boundaries at Shell where he has successfully met the challenge of mingling modern technology with traditional information skills such as taxonomies, cataloguing and indexing, to provide multi-faceted information services to the company's employees.

Penny Leach, SLA Europe President said: “Dennie is an ‘info pro’ through and through. His enthusiasm for information, people and reading on a personal level has enhanced his ability to ensure the effective dissemination of information around Shell. His by-words are ‘connect not collect’”.

Clare Hart, president of Dow Jones Enterprise Media Group will make the formal award at the SLA Conference, held in Seattle, USA, in June 2008. Dennie will also represent SLA Europe in the following months by attending and presenting at key events, including the July SLA Europe Summer Soiree and the December Online Information Conference and Exhibition, both in London, UK.

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SLA Europe

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