

SPE Netherlands Section Celebrates 50th Anniversary

SPE Netherlands Section is celebrating its 50th anniversary this year. A black tie dinner in Castle Wittenburg, Wassenaar, The Netherlands, started off the golden jubilee celebration, which will be followed by other events throughout the year. Section members and invitees from major oil and gas companies from the region attended the dinner. During the event, Shell International was recognized with the Corporate Sponsor Award for its continued support to the section, and SPE Netherlands Section board member, Lijs Groenendaal, was awarded the SPE Netherlands Achievement Award for years of dedicated service to the section board. As part of the celebration, a conference to celebrate 50 years of oil and gas industry in The Netherlands is also planned.



Chris Finlayson (fifth from left), executive vice president Global Solutions Upstream, Shell, received the Corporate Sponsor Award on behalf of Shell, and Groenendaal (third from right), SPE Netherlands Section board member and senior development planner, Shell, received the Achievement Award for dedicated service to the section board.



Leo Roodhart, 2009 SPE president, recently visited Kyoto University's student chapter, where he met the chapter's current and incoming officers. Among those attending were Professor Toshi Matsuoka, student chapter faculty adviser; 2009-10 Student Chapter President Ayumu Miyakawa; 2010-11 Student Chapter President Reona Masui; S. Murata, 2010-11 student chapter faculty adviser; and Cordella Wong-Gillett, SPE managing director, Asia Pacific.

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