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Hart Energy Publishing's Sandrine Dixson-Declève Speaks at OTC as Part of OPEC Panel

HOUSTON, TEXAS (May 1, 2007) - - Ms. Sandrine Dixson-Declève, Executive Director of Hart's International Sustainable Energy Exchange (ISEE), and a panel of experts spoke today on "*The Petroleum Scene: New Realities Ahead*" as part of the Offshore Technology Conference in Houston. In addition to Ms. Dixson-Declève, members of The Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) and oil company executives were also on the panel.

According to OPEC, "Petroleum will continue to be the major source of the world's energy well into the 21st century. Moreover, petroleum resources are plentiful despite some speculation to the contrary. The central issues moving forward relate to deliverability rather than availability." Ms. Dixson-Declève and the panel addressed the realities ahead for the petroleum industry by discussing resources, investments and supplies, opportunities and potential constraints facing the industry, the importance of the downstream in supporting market stability, the role of producer-consumer dialogue, and how the petroleum industry could deal with new environmental realities.

"The world is facing the ultimate challenge to meet the *rising demand* for energy yet reduce energy's environmental footprint," said Ms. Dixson-Declève. "The reality check of the whole scenario is that right now, alternative fuels only represent 4% of worldwide fuel demand yet policy-makers seem to only focus on alternative energy solutions. Global partnerships must be forged between industry and governments to showcase and exchange information on new technologies and best practice tools and achieve sustainable energy goals globally. It is ISEE's mission to help facilitate this."

The International Sustainable Energy Exchange (ISEE) is a membership-based initiative designed to facilitate global cooperation and information exchange between energy producers, users and policy makers in the area of sustainable energy.

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Ms. Dixon-Declève was joined on the panel by: Mohammed Barkindo, Acting for the Secretary General of OPEC (2006); Hasan Qabazard, Director, Research Division, OPEC; Sadek Boussena, Former Algerian Minister of Energy and Mines, and Professor of Economics, University of Grenoble; Special Advisor, Société Générale Simon Stoddart, Special Advisor on Government Affairs, International Energy Forum; Tarek Hassan Beck, Governor for OPEC, Libyan National Oil Company; Edgard Habib, Chief Economist, Chevron Corp.; and Adrian Lajous, President, Petrometrica.

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