## **Richard Hillis**

## **ASEG Service Award 2010**

## Sydney, August 2010

## CITATION:

An ASEG Service Certificate, for distinguished service by a member to the ASEG, is presented to Richard Hillis. Richard receives this award for his long record of work for the ASEG since 1989, primarily through the South Australian branch.

He was a member of the SA Branch Committee from 1996 to 2002, and Branch President from 2000 to 2001. Of particular note, as Co-Chair of the 16th ASEG Conference held in Adelaide in 2003, Richard played a major role in the smooth planning and running of this very successful conference.

Richard received his PhD in 1988 from the University of Edinburgh. He joined the ASEG in 1989, while still on a post doctoral fellowship, before finally moving to Australia permanently in 1992. Since then he has worked in various roles at Flinders University and then the University of Adelaide, finishing as Head of the Australian School of Petroleum and the PIRSA (SA State Government) Professor of Petroleum Geology. He is currently the Chief Executive Officer of the recently set up Deep Exploration Technologies Cooperative Research Centre. His teaching and motivation of students at the University of Adelaide is well recognised, with many local geophysicists inspired by Richard's passion for geophysics and the ASEG.

Richard has enthusiastically and energetically embraced the ASEG in many of its aspects for many years. Richard has continued his long association with the ASEG through his continuing support of local branch activities, and his on-going promotion of the society to undergraduate students.