

Dear friends,

One of the most rewarding tasks of the European Forum is to honour an outstanding European member of Delta Kappa Gamma Society at the Europe Convention at Borås. To single out one member of the whole group of European members is always a challenge; so many are outstanding and inspiring.

In 2015 the Forum has chosen the following qualifications as its focus in this choice:

- She is an outstanding personality, who builds bridges between members, chapters, countries.
- She is always ready to support DKG, understanding as well when a mistake has been made, and encouraging and supportive in getting things back on track.
- She is an active participant at a local level as well as internationally. She facilitates connection among members.
- She has continually demonstrated her abilities as an outstanding organiser.

We have found that person: she has been a Chapter President, a State President, a Regional Director. She was active in the Ad Hoc Committee for the 5th region, worked in the Celebration Committee of 75 DKG. She was a member of the Expansion Committee, the Leadership Development Committee, the Golden Gift Committee, the International Speaker Fund Committee, the World Fellowship, perhaps more we have not named.

The European Award 2015 goes to Trijny Schmitz du Moulin from the Netherlands.

The Award is a broche, made by a former student from our Dutch DKG-member Ria Bleeker. It is a silver circle pin. The circle symbolizes the circle of women forming our DKG Society. In the middle is the international symbol for women in gold and on that a small ruby as a symbol for Trijny's shining contribution to the society.

On behalf of the European Forum 2014 – 2016,
Riet Smits-Hoenderken,
representative from the Netherlands