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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, DC 20549

FORM 6-K

Report of Foreign Private Issuer Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 For September 10, 2008 Commission File Number 1-14642 ING Groep N.V.

> Amstelveenseweg 500 1081-KL Amsterdam The Netherlands

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CORPORATE COMMUNICATIONS

PRESS RELEASE

Amsterdam, 10 September 2008

ING rebalances hedge portfolio for employee options

ING Groep N.V. has sold 6,350,000 (depositary receipts for) ordinary shares for its delta hedge portfolio, which is used to hedge employee options. The shares were sold on the open market between 2 September and 9 September at an average price of EUR 21.60 share.

ING does not issue new shares to cover employee options. Instead, employees receive shares from the delta hedge portfolio, which is maintained to minimise the market risks and price fluctuations that arise from the employee option programmes. The hedge position is adjusted periodically, generally on a quarterly basis, in accordance with regulatory requirements and ING s policies to prevent market manipulation.

The hedge book currently holds 30.1 million (depositary receipts for) ordinary ING shares, representing 1.45 % of the 2,081 million shares outstanding.

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Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

ING Groep N.V. (Registrant)

By: /s/ J.H. van Barneveld J.H. van Barneveld General Manager Group Finance & Control

By: /s/ W.A. Brouwer W.A. Brouwer Assistant General Counsel

Dated: September 10, 2008

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