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SLAS Names Vicki Loise Chief Executive Officer

Accomplished Association Management Professional to Assume Helm on January 1, 2017

CHICAGO – Following a rigorous executive search, SLAS (Society for Laboratory Automation and Screening) named Vicki Loise, CMP, CAE as the Society's new CEO. As CEO, Loise will lead the Society's professional team, ensure the Board of Directors' vision is realized, and maximize opportunities to fulfill the Society's mission, while maintaining sound business operations and diligent oversight of the Society.

Loise comes to SLAS from Kellen, a leading association management firm. As Vice President, Association Management at Kellen, Loise provided strategic planning and guidance to international societies, led business development efforts that increased revenue and raised awareness of client societies, and mentored professional team members in executive-caliber skills. From 2005 to 2014, she served as the executive director for the [Association of University Technology Managers \(AUTM\)](#), where she raised awareness of the association and the profession, while providing sound stewardship and governance. Loise's early career experience includes 12 years with the [National PTA](#), ultimately serving as the organization's development director.

Loise is a member of the American Society of Association Executives and Association Forum. She earned her Certified Meeting Professional designation in 1995 and Certified Association Executive designation in 2005. She is a graduate of Central Michigan University, having earned a bachelor's degree in interpersonal and public communications.

"I'm thrilled to serve as CEO of SLAS," says Loise. "With a foundation that's firmly established and a clear vision forward thanks to the efforts of the Board of Directors, exceptional volunteers and professional team, I believe SLAS is poised for significant growth. I look forward to facilitating that growth, resulting in increased value for our membership, vendor partners and the life sciences discovery and technology community across the globe."

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According to SLAS President Richard Eglen, “Vicki brings a unique combination of industry experience, management skills and proven leadership that we feel is a terrific fit for SLAS at this important juncture in the Society’s evolution. Members of the Board of Directors and I feel she is ideally-suited to the task of maintaining our unique culture, while extending the SLAS mission, brand and business to new markets and new audiences. We are pleased that Vicki shares our vision for SLAS and has chosen to dedicate herself to realize that future and, in the process, enhance the value SLAS delivers to all of our members and stakeholders.”

Eglen continues, “I also would like to particularly recognize the efforts of our Interim CEO, Brenda Dreier, who provided outstanding service and leadership to SLAS while the permanent CEO search was taking place. Brenda will be remaining with the SLAS professional team, and I am confident that her and Vicki’s skillsets complement each other exceptionally well.”

Effective January, 1, 2017, Vicki Loise can be contacted at vloise@slas.org or by calling SLAS Headquarters at +1.877.990.SLAS (7527).

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