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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13G

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Amendment No. 11)*

Reed Elsevier N.V.
(Name of Issuer)
Ordinary Shares
(Title of Class of Securities)
758204200
(CUSIP Number)
December 31, 2008
(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:

- o Rule 13d-1(b)
- o Rule 13d-1(c)
- þ Rule 13d-1(d)

The information required in the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be filed for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Act) or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

^{*} The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person s initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter the disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

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NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS

1

ING Groep N.V.

CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

2

(a) o

(b) o

SEC USE ONLY

3

CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

4

The Netherlands

SOLE VOTING POWER

5

NUMBER OF 49,030,958 1 2

SHARES SHARED VOTING POWER

BENEFICIALLY 6

OWNED BY 0

EACH SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

REPORTING 7

PERSON 49,030,958 1 2

WITH: SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

8

0

AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

9

49,030,958

CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

10 233,376 shares held as custodian

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PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

11

7.42%

TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

12

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¹ 2,134,478 of these shares are held by indirect subsidiaries of ING Groep N.V. in their role as a discretionary manager of client portfolios.

² 5,886 of these shares are held by indirect subsidiaries of ING Groep N.V. in their role as trustee.

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Item 1(a). Name of Issuer:

Reed Elsevier N.V.

Item 1(b). Address of Issuer s Principal Executive Offices:

Van de Sande Bakhuyzenstraat 4

1061 AG Amsterdam

The Netherlands

Item 2(a). Name of Person Filing:

ING Groep N.V.

Item 2(b). Address of Principal Business Office or, if None, Residence:

Amstelveenseweg 500

1081 KL Amsterdam

P.O. Box 810

1000 AV Amsterdam

The Netherlands

Item 2(c). Citizenship:

See item 4 on Page 2

Item 2(d). Title of Class of Securities:

Ordinary Shares

Item 2(e). CUSIP Number:

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- Item 3. If this statement is filed pursuant to Rules 13d-1(b), or 13d-2(b) or (c), check whether the person filing is a: (Not Applicable)
 - (a) Broker or dealer registered under Section 15 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act);
 - (b) Bank as defined in Section 3(a)(6) of the Exchange Act;
 - (c) Insurance company as defined in Section 3(a)(19) of the Exchange Act;
 - (d) Investment company registered under Section 8 of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the Investment Company Act);
 - (e) Investment adviser in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(E) under the Exchange Act;

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- (f) Employee benefit plan or endowment fund in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(F) under the Exchange Act;
- (g) Parent holding company or control person in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b)(ii)(G) under the Exchange Act;
- (h) Savings association as defined in Section 3(b) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act;
- (i) Church plan that is excluded from the definition of an investment company under Section 3(c)(14) of the Investment Company Act;
- (j) Group in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(J) under the Exchange Act.

Item 4. Ownership.

(a) Amount beneficially owned:

See item 9 on Page 2

(b) Percent of class:

See item 11 on Page 2

- (c) Number of shares as to which such person has:
 - (i) Sole power to vote or to direct the vote:

See item 5 on Page 2

(ii) Shared power to vote or to direct the vote:

See item 6 on Page 2

(iii) Sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of:

See item 7 on Page 2

(iv) Shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of:

See item 8 on Page 2

Item 5. Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class.

Not Applicable

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Item 6. Ownership of More than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person.

Not Applicable

Item 7. Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which Acquired the Security Being Reported on

by the Parent Holding Company or Control Person.

Not Applicable

Item 8. Identification and Classification of Members of the Group.

Not Applicable

Item 9. Notice of Dissolution of Group.

Not Applicable

Item 10. Certification.

Not Applicable

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SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

February 17, 2009 (Date)

ING GROEP N.V.

By: /s/ Just A.M. Emke-Petrelluzzi Bojanic (Signature)

Just A.M. Emke-Petrelluzzi Bojanic Compliance Officer (Name/Title)

By: /s/ Rob M. Fischmann (Signature)

Rob M. Fischmann Manager Compliance Netherlands (Name/Title)