

*German-Chinese Educational Leadership Summit
DialogueSystem - Monitoring & School Development,
Shanghai 2009*

School Leadership in Europe

Dr.Burkhard Mielke,

*Honorary President of the European School Heads Association
(ESHA)*

Abstract. As a school leader or researcher involved in developing school heads training programs it is important to know about the working conditions and the role and the influence of school principals not only in your own country but also in other countries around the world. This article gives you information about

- the latest European research in this field
- the aims of the European Union to develop a European school system and a model for European school leadership in a continent with 49 countries and even more languages
- the foundation of national school heads associations and the European umbrella organization ESHA (European School Heads Association)
- the positions and projects of ESHA to implement the school heads' interests in the European process
- and the moral dimension of educational leadership

Key words : educational leadership, moral dimension ,
European School Heads Association, Lissabon Protocol,
European Union, Basel Resolution, regionalization, federal
structure of Germany, autonomy, the 4 T's: Truth, Trust,
Tradition, Time,