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General Board meeting in POTSDAM



Until now 40 representatives of ESHA registered for our General Board in Potsdam. We will meet the President of the KMK, conference of the Ministers of Education (responsible for the coordination between the Ministers of Education in the 16 Länder) and 15 delegates from Germany.

ESHA-Book : please send your documents before March 9th!
Vision Paper about quality : please send us your questionnaires!

ROME - ESHA Conference - 2-4 November 2006

GUEST SPEAKERS :

D. Lenarduzzi, European Commission, "Europe as a knowledge society".

A. Lohmann, Ministry of Cultural Affairs, Hannover, Lower Saxony, "Quality development through leadership".

R.F. Gauthier, General Inspector for the French Ministry of Education "School self-evaluation, a step towards a well conceived autonomy : between students' assessment and system assessment".

L. Ribolzi, University of Genoa, Italy "School at center : rethinking the role of an educational system in the late-modern society".

P. Sahlberg, PhD, Senior Education Specialist, World Bank Washington : "Beyond Autonomy and Accountability : different strategies to raising student achievement".

J.W. Burnham, UK : "New approach to leadership development".

22 Parallel sessions will take place on Friday, November the 3rd.

12733 european schools registered, 1220 have an active partnership.



One year after the launching conference -14th january 2005 -many participants met in LINZ 14-16th January and could get information about the projects and take part in the very interesting workshops about tools and results...

JAN FIGEL and the Austrian Ministry of Education congratulated the winners of the competition.

Have a look : www.etwinning.net

A special conference for schoolheads from European countries took place in Monte Catini - 25-27th January - : 75 schoolheads and deputy heads - both primary and secondary - worked together for 2 days at experimenting new ways of working at school by implementing European partnerships between their staff and their students



Council Meeting of ICP in Reykjavik :
1st- 5th april 2006

A Growing ESHA needs new ideas to master the challenges of the future

ESHA has become a big organisation, representing 30 countries and 36 organizations. And new members are joining from Belgium, Cyprus and Scotland. This is the result of very successful work of all Board Members in the past years.

We now have to change the structure of our work. We have to stabilize the inner structure of ESHA and reorganize our tasks so that the EB Members have more time for new projects. Furthermore, we urgently need a stronger cooperation with our member organizations to serve and get to know their goals and needs. At the EB meeting in Rome we therefore decided to establish regional structures (regionalization) to find out more about the different interests in East, South, North and West. The office work has to be restructured to make these changes possible. With the new structure, we could work on genuine EB-tasks as well as taking up our regional responsibility in the following constellation :

- Antonino in charge of the Roman countries except France
- Jorma - Scandinavia and the Baltic States
- Nelly- for France and the cooperation with European Organisations
- Chris - for Great Britain and Ireland
- For the Eastern and South-eastern European countries we will coopt one person from this area to develop a regional structure.
- As President, I will coordinate all those activities, support all member organisations, try to get in contact to countries and organisation which are not yet member of ESHA, be in touch with all our partner organisations and coordinate the ESHA projects.

Dr. Burkhard Mielke, ESHA President

European School Leadership Network



The first module will begin with a conference in Fiuggi (16-18th March)... Last minute for registration !

It seems to become a real success, because more than 50 schoolheads and deputy heads have already registered. We will work together with John West Burnham twice this year : in Potsdam and in Rome.

HELSINKI : Hands-on and Brains-on



Science centres have been pioneering with hands-on learning and teaching in Europe during last decades. Now, eight science centres have merged in a network, which enables them to develop their educational programmes for primary school in cooperation with school authorities, teacher education institutes, and schools. They aim at creating a European network linking formal and informal learning with all-European organisations ECSITE, EUN and ESHA. The goal is to use modern, interactive science exhibition combining the best practises of informal learning and formal education. Using ICT-strategies is the main element of this European cooperation and dissemination of the results. The role of ESHA will be to disseminate the results of this project in its meeting, conferences and internet.

PARIS : Educascience



On November 16th ESHA France will organise a conference about the same theme and present the results of the project during the big exhibition EDUCASCIENCE.