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School leaders in independent school as creators of learning environments

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Most independent schools are because of their background and traditions capable to let teachers take their role into the development of education, therefore creating learning environments throughout the school. The role of the school leader in this is essential.

**Agenda**

**Introduction** – Rodrigo Queiroz e Melo and Peter Warnders

**‘Leaders as Innovators’** – Radka Karagiozova (Bulgaria)

Aspects covered: change management: innovation, how to implement and when does it become part of a natural educational environment.

**Independent schools and special education: frontrunners** – Jakub Dvorak (Czech Republic)

Aspects covered: independent schools turned out to be frontrunners in Czech Republic with implementing special education. Why was that?

**Positive School Leadership** - Serap Sarigül Hazar (Turkey)

School leaders who do not only establish rules and oversee the school, but also actively engage, live, and are visible in the school environment, can significantly impact the community through positive communication with all stakeholders. Positive communication is the cornerstone of effective leadership.

