

# Invitation

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## SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT, STUDENT WELLBEING, AND FLOURISHING THROUGH CHARACTER EDUCATION

Mit Charakter Schulen verändern. Praktische Strategien für  
Führungskräfte zur Schulentwicklung durch  
Persönlichkeitsbildung

**...mit zwei englischen „Turnaround-Direktoren“**



TUESDAY, 24.06.2025

# WORKSHOP

Chris Clyne & Gary Lewis

## School Improvement, Student Wellbeing, and Flourishing through Character Education

June, 24, 19:30–21:00

TechGate, Donaucity-Straße 1, 1220 Wien, Stage Maxi

For the first time at the European Character and Virtues Association Conference ([www.ecva-character.org](http://www.ecva-character.org)), we are offering a practical keynote – a hands-on evening seminar focused on character education in school improvement practice. This free special session is open to school leaders across Austria and leaders from other areas.

**How can schools improve and thrive - not only academically but as communities of character and purpose?**

In this high-impact seminar for Austrian educators, two of the UK's leading experts in school improvement and character education, Chris Clyne and Gary Lewis, will share proven strategies and inspiring real-world examples of how character education can drive sustainable school improvement.



*Chris Clyne*

Chair of the Association for Character Education

... is the former Principal of Northampton Academy and currently Regional Director at United Learning, where he has oversight of character in 56 secondary schools within his Trust, including several highly successful institutions in London. He has led schools through transformational journeys, earning national recognition for excellence. Chris places a strong emphasis on embedding character education at the heart of school culture, enhancing student behaviour, motivation, and academic outcomes.



*Gary Lewis*

Director of External affairs of the Association for Character Education

... is former chair of the Association for Character Education and former headteacher of Kings Langley School. He has decades of experience supporting schools in embedding character-based education across the curriculum, leadership, and parental engagement. Under his leadership, Kings Langley received a national Character Award and became a model of turnaround through character. He also received two times a prize for thesecond most improved secondary school in England by the ministry of education.

Together, Clyne and Lewis will demonstrate how values-led leadership and character education can help schools achieve sustained improvements in ethos, behaviour, staff morale and performance, academic results, and student wellbeing.

#### Participants will gain:

- Practical insights from successful school turnarounds
- Tools to lead culture change and build a character-rich learning environment
- Ideas for engaging staff, students, and parents in a shared moral purpose

This seminar is ideal for school leaders, teacher educators, education entrepreneurs and policy makers and anyone committed to renewing schools by developing students not just academically, but as flourishing human beings.

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