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**Academic Discussion**

**19 July 2019**

**Champa Central Hotel,  
Maldives**



### Proposed Topic:

**Public VS Private Universities and Institutions of Higher  
Education**

### About GATR:

Global Academy of Training and Research (GATR), is a registered research firm in Malaysia that provides platforms for academics and organizations to excel. GATR aims at encouraging young scholars, established researchers, trainers, academic & corporate researchers to conduct meaningful research and provide useful knowledge for the academic and socio-economic development of their respective nations. GATR is organizing the academic discussion session in Male, Maldives

### Purpose:

The academic discussion session provides an opportunity for participants to relax by listening to, or participating in, a pleasant exchange of ideas about a topic that is directly of your interest. It provides an opportunity to break the otherwise slightly boring schedule of speeches which will be delivered during the conference. The topic: "Are academics still valued in the societies we come from" is an opportunity to discuss the place of academic discourse in a number of countries, or in society in general.

At an academic discussion session, each panel member will have 5 minutes to put forward his or her views followed by questions/comments from the floor.

### Senior Researcher:

**Professor Dr. Gabriel A Moens**

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### Timings:

**2:15pm - 3:15pm**

