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Keynote title: The Landscape of Private Higher Education Institutions in Malaysia: The Balancing Act of Quality Versus Bottom-Line

Abstract: This speech will reflect on the growth of Private Higher Education Institution in Malaysia over more than 2 decades beginning in the early 1990's. The focus is on the plans and strategies to enrich the institutions with quality academic programs balancing them against the landscape of a fast-growing economic development and rising costs.