Kenya Institute of Supplies Management Hosts Kadri Humal Ayal to Discuss Supply Chain Professionalization

Strengthening Supply Chain Practices in Kenya

The Kenya Institute of Supplies Management (KISM) had the honor of hosting Kadri Humal Ayal, the Honorary Consul for the Republic of Estonia in Kenya, to discuss potential cooperation aimed at professionalizing supply chain practices in Kenya. This landmark event marked a significant step toward enhancing the effectiveness and efficiency of supply chain management in the region.



Key Discussions: Automation and E-Governance

The discussion focused primarily on strengthening the automation of membership services and implementing advanced E-Governance systems. These improvements are expected to streamline operations, enhance transparency, and improve service delivery for all KISM members.

CEO's Vision for KISM

The CEO of KISM presented several key priority areas for the institute:



- 1. **Institutional Strengthening**: Enhancing the capacity and capabilities of the institute to better serve its members.
- 2. **Advocacy & Public Awareness**: Increasing the visibility and importance of supply chain management within the public and private sectors.
- 3. **Strategy Revision and Performance Monitoring**: Updating strategic plans and establishing robust performance monitoring systems to ensure continuous improvement.
- 4. **Review of SPMA**: Conducting a comprehensive review of the Supply Practitioners Management Act to align it with current and future needs.
- 5. **Building Technology Infrastructure**: Developing digital tools and technology infrastructure to facilitate online learning, virtual collaboration, and access to eresources for both institutional staff and practitioners.
- 6. **Service Delivery through Innovation**: Implementing innovative solutions to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of services provided to members.

Chairman's Commitment to Professionalization



The Chairman of the Council emphasized the importance of capacitating members and professionalizing supply chain management. He highlighted the goal of establishing an eco-friendly facility of excellence for supply chain management in Africa, located in the coastal city of Kenya. This facility aims to become a hub for advanced SCM practices and a center for learning and collaboration.

Advancing the Partnership

Both parties expressed their commitment to advancing the proposed partnership. Strategic steps were discussed to ensure the partnership's continued success, with a focus on mutual benefits and long-term sustainability.

Conclusion

The visit by Kadri Humal Ayal has opened new avenues for collaboration between Kenya and Estonia in the field of supply chain management. The potential cooperation is poised to bring significant advancements in professionalizing supply chain practices, enhancing automation, and implementing E-Governance systems, ultimately contributing to the overall growth and development of the supply chain sector in Kenya.



For more information and updates on this collaboration, please visit the Kenya Institute of Supplies Management website www.kism.or.ke.

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