



## KENYA INSTITUTE OF SUPPLIES MANAGEMENT

“Promoting Professionalism in Supply Chain Management”

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### COMMUNIQUE TO THE DISTINGUISHED MEMBERS OF THE INSTITUTE ON THE RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL

*{For Immediate Release}*

### **STATEMENT ON THE REQUIREMENT TO UNDERTAKE THE CERTIFIED PROCUREMENT AND SUPPLIES PROFESSIONAL OF KENYA CPSP(K)**

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*Dear Esteemed Member,*

The Council of the Institute, in its meeting of the **17<sup>th</sup> July 2024**, resolved that the Certified Procurement and Supply Professional of Kenya **CPSP(K)** certification program, administered by Kenya Institute of Supplies Examination Board (KISEB) shall be the sole and mandatory qualification to attain full membership status with the Kenya Institute of Supplies Management. The Council in its resolution agreed with the recommendations of the statutory Registration Committee, from its meeting held on the of **4<sup>th</sup> July 2024**.

The above is in line with the provisions of the Supplies Practitioners Management Act, (SPMA) 2007, i.e. Section 13(b) on certifications for persons seeking registration under this Act and sections 16(2) where the Council is mandated to prescribe professional qualifications for persons seeking membership registration.

This Directive shall transition registration to the membership of the Institute to exclusively accept individuals possessing the CPSP(K) qualification for new admissions effective **1<sup>st</sup> January 2025**.

The rationale for this strategic shift is multifaceted; encompassing legal compliance, international standardization, and the advancement of procurement and supply chain management profession in Kenya. By aligning with legal mandates and international standards, the Directive will enhance the credibility and professionalism of the supply chain management profession by:

#### **Elevating the Profession:**

- a) **Standardization with CPSP-K;** By adopting CPSP-K (Certified Procurement and Supplies Professional - Kenya) as the standard for membership admission, the institute will elevate the position of Procurement and Supplies Chain Management (PSCM) as a recognized and respected profession within Kenya and the wider region.



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CPSP-K certification signifies a high level of expertise, competence, and professionalism in the field, thus raising the profile of individuals holding this certification and the profession as a whole.

- b) **Promotion of Professionalism and Competency;** The adoption of CPSP-K as the standard for membership admission underscores the Kenya Institute of Supplies Management's (KISM) commitment to promoting professionalism and competency within the procurement and supply chain management sector.

By setting high standards for membership admission, KISM shall ensure that its members possess the requisite skills, knowledge, and ethical values to excel in their roles, thereby contributing to the overall development and professionalism of the profession. This commitment will not only enhance the reputation of KISM but also strengthen the credibility of SCM profession in Kenya and beyond.

This Directive shall **only** apply to persons seeking registration to become **new members** of KISM and **shall not be applied to existing members** who are already registered with the institute as at 31 December 2024 in accordance with the Law.

The effective date for registration of this directive is **1<sup>st</sup> January 2025**.

***We deliver-as-one, and with all, in the service to the Nation!***

**The Chairman  
KISM COUNCIL**

Wednesday, 31<sup>st</sup> July 2024

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