



**REMARKS BY THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF
THE KENYA INSTITUTE OF SUPPLIES MANAGEMENT
(KISM) DURING THE OFFICIAL OPENING OF THE
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EDITION OF THE SUPPLY CHAIN NATIONAL
DIALOGUE ON TUESDAY, 26TH NOVEMBER 2024 AT
SAROVA WHITESANDS RESORT IN MOMBASA**

Protocols

- **Hon. CPA John Mbadi Ng'ongo, EGH Cabinet Secretary,** The National Treasury And Economic Planning The Cabinet Secretary
- **His Excellency, Abdulswamad Sharrif Nassir,** The Governor of Mombasa County,
- **Dr. Chris Kiptoo, CBS, The Principal Secretary,** The National Treasury and Economic Planning,
- **Mr. John Karani, MBS,** The Chairman KISM Council
- Distinguished **KISM Council Members**
- **Hon. Hon. Jimmy Kahindi, MBS,** Chairman PPRA
- **Mr. George M. Muthui,** Chairman PPARB
- **Mr. Amos Ochieng',** Chairman KISEB,
- **Mr. Erick Korir** Director of Public Procurement, The National Treasury,
- **CEO PPRA & KISEB**
- Director Generals and Chief Executive Officers present
- Members of the KISM Secretariat
- Professional Colleagues, Invited Guests
- Ladies and Gentlemen,

Good morning!

1. It is with great humility and gratitude that I take this chance to welcome you to the **3rd Edition of Procurement and Supply Chain Management National Dialogue.**
2. Before I make further remarks, please allow me to introduce those in attendance at this Conference;

- i. Members of the KISM Secretariat,**
- ii. County Governments,**
- iii. Ministries, Departments and Agencies,**
- iv. Private Sector Actors,**
- v. State Corporations – names the CEOs...**
- vi. International speakers and guests – names...**
- vii. Development partners and sponsors.**

Ladies and Gentlemen,

- 3. As a supply chain professional, it has been my desire not only to work but to contribute to significant change in our profession. Thus when we look back from when and where we started, I am sure we have many milestones to celebrate.**
- 4. Today, I feel privileged to have led the team in organizing this 3rd Edition of National Dialogue, which is the biggest in the History of the Institute.**
- 5. As a profession we continue to be recognized and appreciated for the transformational journey.** This week, we presented our position paper to Parliament on amendments to the Public Procurement Asset & Disposal Act. We have held conversations with other Professional bodies to build synergy. Indeed KISM

Towers has hosted a joint meeting bringing together key professional bodies. **We have agreed to engage the National Treasury on matters of trainings and subscriptions for professionals in the Country.** I am happy to note that conversations are now happening.

6. Let me take this opportunity to appreciate all the Accounting Officers/CEOs and DGs present and those who have sent their officers for this session. I am know there has been **budget constraints and austerity measures, but still found** an opportunity to be here and send their teams.
7. We also appreciate **our parent ministry, the National Treasury and Economic Planning through the Office of the PS** for issuing a Circular to facilitate the attendance of this Forum.
8. Our desire from this Forum is to **arrive at possible action points** that would augment the reforms for better management of procurement and supply chain management in the Country.
9. The specific outcomes of this Dialogue will include;
 - i. **Identification of actionable strategies and policy recommendations to empower industries and SMEs as catalysts for economic development through supply chain optimization.**

- ii. **Insights on the barriers and enablers for the widespread adoption of technology, e-government procurement, and digital solutions in supply chain management.**
- iii. **A shared understanding of the importance of sustainability, ethical practices, and professional development in building resilient and responsible supply chains.**
- iv. **Strengthened collaboration and connectivity among supply chain stakeholders.**
- v. **A comprehensive position paper that will guide the development of a policy framework to support the strengthening of national supply chains in Kenya.**
- vi. **Advocate for policy reforms and regulatory changes among others**

10. As I conclude, **I am confident the resource persons and the Programme** that we have put forward for this Dialogue will add value, we encourage you to interact freely, network, and engage in experiential exchange.

11. We shall do our best, to **document and follow up on all aspects and resolutions.**

12. I know there are many challenges our members continues to face around delays in service delivery, negative stereotyping and targeting, inadequate support

by certain employers, but I want to assure you that we are committed to gradually and impactfully make a difference. We shall not tire, we shall not give up, until it works. Please join us and be our ambassadors as we endeavor to me the desired difference.

13. Wising you all a very productive NDC 2024.

14. With those remarks made, **it is now my humble duty to invite the Chairman of KISM Council** to take over the Program.

I thank you all most sincerely.

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