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## KEWI-AFDB Mark Beginning of a Promising Partnership



KEWI Governing Council Chairperson Hon. Patrick Mbangula (3rd right), KEWI CEO Dr. Letangule (2nd left) Deputy Director Research Mr. Kwamini (left) Ms Emily (3rd left), Ms. Nancy and Mr. Charles at AfDB Kenyan Offices.

BY PIUS KIMANI

The Kenya Water Institute, (KEWI) looks forward to formalizing collaboration with the African Development Bank AfDB and embarking on mutually beneficial projects that will advance a shared mission.

This is after the two institutions engaged in

productive talks that sought to explore potential areas of collaboration.

These discussions marked a significant step towards fostering a partnership that can address critical cooperation areas.

In a meeting with the AfDB team, KEWI Governing Council Chairperson Hon. Patrick Mbangula, KEWI CEO Dr. Leiro

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# KEWI-AFDB Mark Beginning of a Promising Partnership

Letangule and Deputy Director Research Consultancy and Technical Services Mr. Nelson Kwamini shared their insights and expertise on various aspects.

Both organizations showed their commitment towards the upcoming Urban Water Project which is a key project on the current country strategy paper.

The talks further explored the potential for joint research initiatives, capacity- building programs, and knowledge sharing.

By leveraging respective strengths and resources, KEWI and the AfDB aim to make a meaningful impact on water management and contribute to the overall development and well-being of African nations.

This comes at a time when KEWI is set to host a series of sanitation trainings for youth and women in all its Campuses.

Once trained the beneficiaries are set to promote the widespread use of improved sanitation technologies.

This is by use of a multifaceted approach that will include raising awareness, addressing affordability challenges, engaging communities and fostering government approach by implementing projects of improving sanitation levels for Kenyan residents.



*African Development Bank (AfDB) officials when they met with the KEWI Project Implementation Team to assess the progress of the AfDB project.*

# Institute Conducts Academic Policies Review



*The Academic Affairs Team meet during the Academic Policies Review in Kitui Campus.*

BY ABIGAEL SONGOK

In a bid to address the institution's current and developing academic demands, Kenya Water Institute (KEWI) has this week conducted an academic policy review during a three-day workshop held at the Kitui Campus.

In his opening remarks the review committee's chairperson and the Deputy Director of Academic Affairs at KEWI Mr. Eric Wamiti, emphasized the crucial function of the review procedure.

The academic policies under review were the examination, student welfare, and the student's rules and regulations policies.

While emphasizing that the academic policy review exercise attempts to make sure that the institution's current and developing academic demands are addressed, Mr Wamiti noted that the institution is bound to respond to the needs of its stakeholders in order to realize its vision and fulfill its mission as it develops and grows.

"We value the efforts made by the institute to recognize the importance of this procedure. The modification will support the organization in its ongoing pursuit of efficiency and excellence in the academic discipline as a whole, which is one of the main tenets of the KEWI mandate.

This is because the academic discipline is constantly changing." He said.

Dr. James Kiprop Chelang'a (PhD), a Senior Lecturer at Moi University Department of History, Political Science, and Public Administration, guided the committee in drafting suggestions and administrative directives intended to carry out the goals of the policy within a framework to implement procedures.

He commended the institute for taking the initiative to make sure that it fulfills its current and future academic demands as it expands, develops, and responds to the needs of its stakeholders in attaining its vision and completing its purpose.

# KEWI participates in Productivity Metrics Development Workshop



*A group photo of participants in productivity metrics development workshop in Kitui Campus.*

Concurrently, a workshop on the development of productivity metrics has come to a conclusion, having commenced on Tuesday, October 3rd, 2023.

The National Productivity and Competitiveness Centre (NPCC) in the State Department for Labor and Skills Development, Ministry of Labor, and Social Protection program on productivity management across all Ministries, Departments, and Agencies (MDAs) in the country is underway.

This marks the beginning of the implementation of the first activity in the productivity

mainstreaming program in the public service, which is one of the performance targets set for all MDAs in the 20th cycle of public sector performance contracting for 2023–24 FY.

The nomination and sensitization of the productivity management committee on productivity are essential to achieving the goal of productivity mainstreaming. NPCC's assistance facilitated the building of the metrics for measuring productivity, gathering the appropriate data for measurement, calculating a productivity index for KEWI, and, finally, creating

and putting into practice a strategy for productivity enhancement.

Dr. Nahashon Moitalel Langat, the secretary of productivity at the National Productivity and Competitiveness Centre (NPCC), gave a brief background on the institution.

He stated that Kenya aspires to achieve globally competitive middle-income country status, offering a high quality of life, by the year 2030.

The attainment of this aspiration is hinged on the country's ability to achieve rapid and sustainable economic and productivity growth.

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“We must embrace continuous improvement as a key strategy for gaining competitive advantage to attain the transformation envisaged in the Kenya Vision 2030 and the Kenya Constitution 2010.” He emphasized.

Dr. Moitalel further commended KEWI for taking the initiative to embrace change.

“When we embrace change, we are adaptable to new cir-

stances, situations, and people and lean into the opportunities they offer.”



## Quote of the Week

“The greatest leader is not necessarily the one who does the greatest things. He is the one that gets the people to do the greatest things.”

**-Ronald Reagan.**

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# Round Up of the Week's Events



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 Certificate in Water Laboratory Technology (CWLTL)  
 Certificate in Water Engineering Technology (CWET)  
 Drilling Operations and Management (DOM)  
 Plumbing and Pipe Fitting (PPF)  
 Water Operators Course (WOC) in:
 

- Water Supply
- Meter Reading
- Sewerage Operations

### Short - Term Programmes

Use of Earth Observation Tools and GIS for Water Resources Management  
 Entrepreneurship and Financial Management for Water Managers  
 Operation and Maintenance of Water Supply Networks  
 Metering and Installation of Water Supply Networks  
 Leak Detection & Repair techniques  
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