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KEWI joins key Stakeholders in the WASIC Conference



Cabinet Secretary, Ministry of Water Sanitation and Irrigation Hon. Zachariah M. Njeru, when he visited the Institute's exhibition booth during the WASIC conference.

BY PIUS KIMANI

Kenya Water Institute (KEWI) Governing Council Chairperson Hon. Patrick Musili Mbangula and Chief Executive Director Dr. Leiro Letangule, EBS were among a high level delegation that joined Cabinet Secretary, Ministry of Water, Sanitation and Irrigation Hon. Zachariah Njeru EGH, on behalf of H.E the President Hon. Dr. William

Ruto during the official opening of the Water and Sanitation Investors Conference (WASIC) that took taking place at Kenyatta International Convention Centre (KICC) Nairobi.

The 3 day Conference whose overarching goal is "Accelerating investments for the sustainable access to water and sanitation" had been

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prepared with an intent to align the country's development agenda that seeks to leverage on Public-Private Partnership for sustained development in the water.

While opening the event, the Cabinet Secretary emphasized on the need for collaboration between the public and private sector, a move he said will be crucial towards accelerating universal access to clean water and sanitation and ultimately foster a healthier and more prosperous future for all Kenyan.

"The government has allocated close to 80 billion shillings for the Ministry of Water, Sanitation and Irrigation for the progressive realization of access to safe water and sanitation services and improvement of food security in the country." Hon. Njeru further informed.

At the conference, KEWI's exhibition booth continued to attract high level visitors who were keen to gain insight on the services provided, and seek avenues of engaging with the institute in different

aspects. Hon. Njeru was excited to visit the stand and sample the services offered. He noted that he was elated on the direction the institute is taking in regards to its contribution in the water and sanitation space within the larger water sector.

His statement was echoed by Deputy Governor, Vihiga County H.E Wilberforce Kitezo who noted that his county was keen on working with institutions like KEWI to help improve the quality of water the county produces.

The conference involved and attracted stakeholders and participants from Government Institutions, Foreign Missions, Development Partners, Financing Institutions, National and International Investors, Private Sector and the Business Community, Non-Governmental Organizations, Research and Academic Institutions, and other state and non-state water and sanitation actors- and affiliates.



Ms Damaris Muthoni, a Lab Technician engages clients at the Institute's exhibition booth.

Chiakariga Campus Students Gain Insights into Water Treatment Process



BY KORIR KIPKIRUI

In a quest for hands-on learning experiences, final year students from Chiakariga Campus embarked on an enlightening academic tour to Meru Water and Sewerage Company. The highlight of their excursion being to explore water treatment plant, offered an invaluable glimpse into the intricate process of water treatment before it reaches consumers.

Led by Mr. Anthony Kimaru, a Technical Officer in charge of water treatment works at Meru Water Treatment Plant, the students were taken through comprehensive overview of the treatment process. From the initial intake of raw water to the final stages of purification, Mr. Kimaru provided insightful commentary, shedding light on each step of the journey towards safe and clean water.

"As future professionals in various fields, it's crucial for students to understand the critical role of water treatment in public health and environmental sustainability, our goal is to not only educate but inspire the next generation of leaders to prioritize water conservation and management." remarked Mr. Kimaru.

The students were captivated as they witnessed firsthand various treatment methods employed to remove impurities and contaminants from raw water sources. From sedimentation to filtration and disinfection, each stage of the process was meticulously explained, underscoring the importance of quality control and adherence to regulatory standards.

"This experience has been eye-opening," shared one of the students. "It's one thing to learn about water treatment in the classroom, but seeing it in

action brings a whole new level of understanding and appreciation for the work that goes into providing safe drinking water to communities."

The academic tour not only provided valuable insights into water treatment technologies but also sparked discussions on

broader issues such as water scarcity, pollution, and sustainable resource management. As the students bid farewell to the Meru Water Treatment Plant, they departed with a renewed sense of purpose and a deeper understanding of their roles in safeguarding the planet's most precious resource.

The visit to Meru Water and Sewerage Company served as a reminder of the importance of experiential learning opportunities in shaping well-rounded and informed individuals. By bridging the gap between theory and practice, such initiatives empower students to become proactive stewards of the environment and advocates for positive change in their communities.

ABOVE:
KEWI Chiakariga Campus final year students at Meru Water and Sewerage Company.

Kisumu Campus Marks Impact at Eldoret ASK Show 2024



KEWI Governing Council Member Mr. Solomon Maritim and Campus Principal Dr. Emily Chepkoech, accompanied by Kisumu Campus staff at the Eldoret Agricultural Society of Kenya (ASK) Show.

BY J. SUMANCHA

The Kenya Water Institute (KEWI) left a significant impression at the Eldoret Agricultural Society of Kenya (ASK) Show, held from March 6th to 9th, 2024, in Uasin Gishu County. With the event's theme focusing on promoting Climate Smart Agriculture and Trade Initiatives for Sustainable Growth, KEWI demonstrated its expertise and commitment in championing climate change solutions and ensuring safe water for all.

Led by the Principal Kisumu Campus Dr. Emily Chepkoech and KEWI Governing Council Member Mr. Solomon Maritim, the team highlighted the institute's commitment to

excellence. They emphasized on KEWI's pivotal role in fostering sustainable growth, particularly in agricultural food production, and advocated for technological advancements such as smart metering to enhance operational efficiency.

The show also provided an opportunity for KEWI's marketing team to enhance the institute's visibility and public awareness. Through educational outreach, the team provided insights into KEWI's training programs, research initiatives, and consultancy services, aimed at equipping water sector professionals with essential skills and knowledge.

A significant highlight was

KEWI's engagement in local media, emphasizing the importance of technical education in addressing water-related challenges and promoting societal advancement. Distinguished guests, including Dr. Jonathan Bii, Governor, Uasin Gishu County, and Dr. Kotut Sam Kipkemboi Kogo, County Executive Committee Member for Water Irrigation, Sanitation, Energy, Environment, Natural resources and Climate Change, underscored the critical role of KEWI's contributions to sustainable development.

The leadership's commitment to fostering partnerships with KEWI further emphasized its dedication to advancing the water sector and nurturing the next generation of water professionals. KEWI's participation emphasized the importance of increasing enrollment in technical institutions to spur job creation and economic development.

The institute's impactful presence at the 2024 Eldoret ASK Show demonstrated its unwavering commitment to enhancing the water sector and promoting sustainability, signaling a promising future for water management in Kenya.

Chiakariga Campus Forges Path to Excellence

BY L. LEPARKOLWA

Under the Leadership of the Principal Mr. Paul Rarieya, Kenya Water Institute's Chiakariga Campus recently held a critical meeting aimed at fostering collaboration and setting a strategic course for future growth of the institution.

With Principal Rarieya's leadership at the helm, the campus gathered to discuss key initiatives aimed at enhancing cooperation and establishing clear objectives to drive progress and development. This critical meeting underscored the campus's commitment to excellence and its determination to pave the way for a successful future.

During his speech Mr. Rarieya stressed that a cohesive team fosters an environment conducive to success. Highlighting the importance of transparent communication channels, he articulated how clear and open dialogue cultivates mutual understanding, resolves conflicts efficiently, and propels the institution forward.

"By championing these principles, we are committed in fostering a unified community dedicated to academic excellence and collective progress" reiterated Mr. Rarieya.

He further highlighted that focusing on professional development, innovative problem-solving and continuous improvement are

crucial drivers of success in the campus. By prioritizing professional development, employees can enhance their skills and knowledge, ultimately contributing to higher performance levels. Embracing innovative problem-solving techniques, allows us to tackle challenges creatively, leading to more effective and efficient solutions. Therefore, investing in these areas is essential for achieving long-term success and maintaining our position as leaders in the outside world.

The meeting served as a significant platform to highlight the organization's proactive approach towards environmental sustainability and employee welfare. Key initiatives were outlined to mitigate the institute's environmental footprint while simultaneously enhancing benefits for employees. This focus underscores the institute's dedication to fostering a work culture that not only prioritizes the well-



being of its workforce, but also actively contributes to the greater good of the campus. Through these initiatives, the campus aims to set a benchmark for responsible corporate practices and pave the way for a brighter, more sustainable future.

The session drew to a close with a palpable sense of optimism permeating the room, leaving the staff invigorated and inspired. As the discussions wrapped up, it became evident that Chiakariga Campus was poised for a transformative journey towards excellence. The prevailing mood was one of unity and enthusiasm, with every member of the team committed to contributing their best towards realizing the shared vision. With a renewed sense of purpose and determination, Chiakariga Campus is set to make a significant impact, not only within its immediate surroundings but also in the broader educational landscape.

KEWI emerges Victorious in a Weekend Tournament



KEWI's women football team.

Hassan Faisal, KEWI's Registrar Students Affairs. "Their relentless determination and teamwork were evident in every match, and I couldn't be prouder of their achievements."

BY FAIZAH JEPKORIR

Over the weekend, the Kenya Water Institute (KEWI) team showcased their athletic prowess at The Kenya Institute of Surveying and Mapping (KISM) during a thrilling tournament featuring both football and rugby matches. With adrenaline-pumping action and spirited competition, KEWI athletes left an indelible mark on the field, emerging victorious in multiple matchups.

In the realm of football, KEWI ladies' team exhibited skillful play and strategic prowess as they triumphed over their opponents in two electrifying matches. Their first victory came against the host team, KISM, with a convincing score line of 3-1. Undeterred by the challenge, KEWI continued

their winning streak in their encounter against the Institute of Energy Studies & Research (IESR), securing a commanding 6-1 win.

Meanwhile, on the rugby pitch, KEWI's sevens squad delivered a stellar performance, overpowering their adversaries with a display of speed, strength, and strategic finesse. In their clash against IESR, KEWI team emerged triumphant with an impressive score of 40-25, showcasing their dominance in the sport. The momentum continued in their matchup against KISM, where KEWI secured another hard-fought victory with a final score of 30-25.

"This weekend's tournament was a testament to the dedication and talent of our athletes," remarked Mr.

The victories secured by KEWI team not only highlight their sporting excellence but also reflect the institution's commitment to promoting physical fitness, and sportsmanship among its students. As ambassadors of KEWI, the athletes demonstrated resilience, skill, and camaraderie, embodying the spirit of sportsmanship and competition.

As the tournament came to a close, both teams celebrated their successes with pride, knowing that their hard work and dedication had paid them off. Their achievements serve as inspiration not only to their peers but also to aspiring athletes across the institution, underscoring the transformative power of sports in shaping character, fostering unity, and achieving success.

Round Up of the Week's Events



Moments during Water Sanitation and Investors Conference (WASIC) held at KICC.

Quote of the Week

"I can accept failure. Everyone fails at something. But I can't accept not trying."

-Michael Jordan.

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KEWI participates in rugby and football games held at The Kenya Institute of Surveying and Mapping (KISM).



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