

Brief report on Visiting lectureship at the royal institute of technology, real estate planning and land use (kth) in Sweden.

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A) Background

The Department of Real Estate and Construction Management/Division of Real Estate Planning and Land Law of the KTH (150 years old academic institution) invited two lecturers from the Department of Land and Property Sciences (DLPS) as visiting lecturers for training and collaboration on Land Valuation, Administration and Management for a duration of three weeks. The training was on a particular course known as Advanced Valuation and Analysis (code AI2154) offered in English for both Swedish and international students.

The lectureship was facilitated through ADLAND and NELGA, both providing funds for the duration of the stay of the two lecturers. The duration was for a total of three (3) weeks from 14/01/2019 – 04/02/2019. The two lecturers were Mr A. Issa. And U Kahireke.

ADLAND approached DLPS sometimes in the beginning of 2018 and requested for the provision of the two lecturers to assist in conducting of the master's programme.

B) The Lectureship

The ADLAND liaison officer/Supervisor at KTH was Prof Dr Perter Ecbach and he arranged for office space as well as facilitated/delegated the supervision to Ms Svetlana and Associate Prof Dr Abukar Warsame, who heads the Building and Real estate Economics Division, and who hosted the whole 3 weeks session.

As agreed upon the lecturers were to:

1. Participate, study and analyse the curriculum of the MSc course in Advanced Valuation and Analysis.
 - There were discussions on the programme itself with Dr Warsame on the course itself.
 - The lecturers participated in the classes that were conducted as well as participates in discussion on assignment presentations by the students.
 - It was observed that the course's strong emphasis was made on sourcing the industry experts to provide their experience and one also demonstrated their products like DATCHA which is a comprehensive countrywide land database.
2. Contribute with presentations in the above course and at a lunch seminar, regarding real estate valuation issues in Namibia.

A presentation was made to the class as well at the lunch seminar and it highlighted on the Valuation and Land management issues in Namibia. relevant laws were explained that dealt with issues like Land expropriation, Rating, Land taxation and political history of Namibia and other relevant matters

3. Discuss and draft possible collaborative research projects for joint articles or other publications/conferences in the Land Management/Land Valuation areas.
 - Areas of collaboration were also discussed during and after presentation
 - Part of the presentation highlighted the DLPS thematic Research areas and this was well received.
 - Interest was shown on collaborating with DLPS researchers on preparing research papers/articles on Rent Control as well the Flexible Land tenure System (FLTS) and any other that would be of interest to both DLPS and KTH
 - Suggestions were made for liaison between the DLPS, ADLAND and NELGA in order to initiate a Master's Degree in Real estate Studies using the KTH model. In the model there is a combination of taught sessions, assignments and electives as well as a final thesis.

C) Conclusion and the way forward

At the wrap up session held on the last day of the lectureship it was agreed that strong collaborative efforts be made between the DLPS and KTH through ADLAND/NELGA or even SIDA (Swedish development Agency) in common areas of interest in research as well as provision of funding for the preparation of curriculum for the master's programmes to be run at NUST.

KTH lecturers showed willingness to reciprocate the visit and all were of the opinion that there need to be stronger ties between the two academic institutions.



Mr. Issa and Mr Kahireke
Can't be gloomy despite the cold!



Mr. Issa is shown delivering a presentation on Valuation and Land Management in Namibia - Stockholm Sweden Jan 2019 Royal Institute of Technology, Real Estate Planning and Land Use (KTH)



Attending the master's in real estate –
Advanced Valuation and Analysis class – KTH Sweden



Staff Meeting on Research collaboration and Curriculum Development From l to R: Issa A, Uaurika K, Ms Svatliana, Dr P. Eback.



Issa A and Uaurika K with the Head of Building and Real estate Economics Division Dr Warsame Abukar in his office



Part of KTH Physical infrastructure 1



Modern office space for Uaurika



Part of the KTH infrastructure 2



KTH Entrance. No fencing. View from station



Part of KTH infrastructure 3 – Classroom View



Part of KTH Infrastructure 4