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## **Longe named KDOT Performance Management Chief**

Tope Longe has been named the Bureau Chief of Performance Management for the Kansas Department of Transportation. The bureau was recently created to help the agency focus on strategic planning and improving overall processes. Longe began in her new role June 1.

“The idea is to refine the reporting of existing operations and performance measures for the agency and make sure they are aligned with KDOT’s goals,” Longe said. “We measure it so we can showcase what we have achieved and find ways to make continuous improvements.”

Longe previously worked for the Department of Transport for Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates, as a Management Consultant, focusing on the management of the performance of major public transport and parking contracts of the organization. After eight years, she joined the Office of the Chairman of the Department to support the strategic organizational development and advice on executive affairs. Previously, she was the head of Enforcement Services at the Transport for London, working on the strategic road network for London.

In addition, Longe served two terms as a Board Director for the International Parking and Mobility Institute, which is headquartered in Virginia. “The board sets the standards and performance measures for advancing the parking and mobility industry on an international platform,” she said.

Longe moved to Kansas in March 2020 when her spouse, Dr. Sanmi Areola, was named the Public Health Director for Johnson County. She describes herself as a lifelong learner; she is currently pursuing a Doctorate in Strategic Leadership.

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