



Retail Excellence appoint a new Chairperson JP Kennedy of TileStyle becomes Chair for a two-year period

Retail Excellence, Ireland largest retail representative body, has today confirmed the appointment of JP Kennedy, Managing Director of TileStyle, to the position of Chairman of the organisation which will run for a two-year term.

Mr. Kennedy's appointment follows the expiration of Colm Carroll of Carroll's Irish Gifts term.

CEO of Retail Excellence, David Fitzsimons thanked the outgoing Chairperson and said "On behalf of Retail Excellence, I would like to thank Colm Carroll for his unwavering drive and personal commitment to Retail Excellence and its members over the past two years he has served as Chairperson of the Board".

David Fitzsimons welcomed JP Kennedy's appointment and said he "would bring a vast array of skills, experience and knowledge of the Irish retail industry to the role. He has diligently served on the board of Retail Excellence for a number of years and I look forward to continuing to work with him during a really exciting year in the organisation's history."

JP Kennedy said "It is an honour and a privilege to be Chairman of Retail Excellence and I follow in the footsteps of Colm Carroll who demonstrated great support and leadership to the Board".

"I look forward to supporting all the Retail Excellence team, in particular David Fitzsimons and our Deputy CEO Lorraine Higgins. We have some really significant events and projects planned this year which the team are currently working hard on. Not to forget the really exciting Retail Retreat and Expo in May of this year which I strongly recommend as a must attend event".

"The main focus of Retail Excellence is to provide support, advice, learning and best practice to Irish Retailers the length and breadth of the country and I look forward to supporting this work so, I can help our Members, as we deal with an ever-changing environment."

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Photo Caption: Chairperson of Retail Excellence JP Kennedy, Managing Director of TileStyle

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Established in 1995, Retail Excellence is owned by the members, for the members. We are an organisation which invests in innovative and exciting learning, market intelligence, human resources services, Government representation and member networking initiatives. Retail Excellence has over 1,800 leading retail companies in Ireland. Our members are the most progressive and innovative retailers. Retail Excellence is by far the largest retail industry body in Ireland.