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**Sami Kiiski**, M. Sc. (Economics and Business), 48, has been appointed as the new President of Kesko's building and technical trade division and a member of Group Management Board as of 1 April 2024. The previous division President Jorma Rauhala assumed the position of Kesko's President and CEO on 1 February 2024.

Sami Kiiski is currently President of Kesko's car trade division. Prior to that, Kiiski was the Senior Vice President in charge of Kesko's leisure trade. Before joining Kesko, Kiiski worked, among other things, as CEO of Halti Oy. He is also a member of the Board of Management of Intersport International Corporation.

"Sami Kiiski has a strong track record in leadership that yields results, and wide-ranging expertise in international trade. I am convinced that he is the right person to lead Kesko's building and technical trade and continue the execution of the division's growth strategy," says President and CEO **Jorma Rauhala**.

With Sami Kiiski's swift transition into a new role, **Johanna Ali**, M.Sc. (Economics and Business), 46, is appointed as acting President of Kesko's car trade division and a member of Group Management Board. Ali currently holds the position of Vice President of Audi Finland within the car trade division. Before joining Kesko, Ali worked, for example, as Country Director for Forenom and Commercial Director for Lease Plan Finland. Kesko has initiated the recruitment process for a new car trade division President.

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