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By email

Dear Mayor Femke Halsema

An invitation to join Sustainability Panel for Manchester at MIPIM, 2020

Manchester has recently pledged to become a zero-carbon city of 2038. I would like to invite you to join our panel event at MIPIM 2020 where we will talk about this ambition and how we can achieve it. We invite you to join this panel in order to share the learnings from Amsterdams' ambitious plans to achieve its own carbon neutral status.

Manchester recognises that to attract both business and talent, we need to be mindful of the future health of the city and that we need to take inspiration from the trailblazers to ensure we continue to drive this agenda forward. You will have useful insight and experience of the projects to date and progress towards your target which we would love to hear.

The event at MIPIM is intended to look at the practical steps the city can take and develop a road map for Manchester to achieve carbon neutrality. The session will look at some of the leading initiatives tackling some of these issues. As a member of the Manchester Climate Change Board, this is a subject I personally feel very passionately about. Bruntwood is a member of the UK Green Building Council (UKGBC) and was the first commercial property firm to join the Net Zero Carbon commitment and are working to develop the UK's first carbon-neutral new build development. We hope that this session will be a call to arms for the property industry to play its part in becoming a zero-carbon city by 2038 and inspire action from others within the property industry.

The event will take place during the course of MIPIM week 10-12 March 2020. in Cannes, France. The panel session will last no longer than one hour and we hope to confirm the line-up shortly.

I would be delighted if you could join us.

Best wishes,

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