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WINDOW SYSTEMS OF THE FUTURE, DELIVERED TODAY

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1. What do we mean by 'Window Systems of the Future'? What are the qualities of an ideal window system?
2. How important are windows in terms of energy efficiency? How much heat transfer is associated with window systems?
3. Is insulation all about glazing or are other components involved?
4. What are the various window framing options and what types of applications is each best suited to?
5. What are thermally broken aluminium window frames and what are their benefits?
6. When it comes to windows and sustainability, is thermal insulation the end of the story or are other factors also involved?

At the end of this panel, attendees will be able to:

- a) Explain the key requirements of quality window systems, including not only functional and aesthetic considerations but also environmental ones
- b) Identify the role that window systems play in heat gain and heat loss, and therefore their potential for maximising a building's overall energy efficiency
- c) Explain the concept of a 'window system' and identify the fact that it extends beyond glazing to components like window frames
- d) Outline the various types of window frames available and the benefits of each
- e) Analyse a project brief in terms of both client objectives and environmental considerations to choose the best, most sustainable window framing option

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