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What do you do when you need to transport a great number of people up a 636+ metre mixed-used tower? How do you deal with condensation that builds up when the heat of the desert meets the cool of the air-conditioned interior? As it turns out, you develop a 40 mph elevator - the world's fastest; and collect the moisture and pump it into the site's landscape plantings. Yet there are so many more questions still to be

asked regarding the Burj Dubai, the tallest building on earth and surely one of the most ambitious projects the world has ever seen. This talk is a unique opportunity to do so.

Venue: Royal College of Physicians, 11 St Andrews Place, Regents' Park NW1

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