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Savills wins Royal Docks contract

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Savills has been appointed to work with Royal Docks developer Asian Business Port to promote its business projects across the world.

The partnership was signed this morning by Savills Group chief executive Jeremy Helsby and ABP chairman Xu Weiping, and is one of the largest deals of its kind.

Savills will have an on-site presence at Royal Docks to bring businesses from Asia, the UK and Europe to the development.

More than 60 companies from Asia alone have registered a formal interest in taking space at the development, which will create some 3.5m sq ft of new commercial space, including 3.2m sq ft of offices.

Corporate occupiers will be able to lease space at the 35 acre site, and there will be opportunities to purchase an office headquarters ranging from 5,000 sq ft to 200,000 sq ft.

The firm will also act for ABP to attract occupiers to its developments in Beijing, Shenyang, Qindao and Huangzhou, as well as further global developments as they emerge.

Helsby said: "We are delighted and privileged to be working with ABP. Through our global platform we will bring together an international business community, and in particular, provide a link between UK and Asia to assist businesses in transferring seamlessly between the two continents.

"The Royal Docks scheme has already attracted enormous attention worldwide and we are very excited about working on such a prestigious project which will transform an area of east London into the capital's newest business district."