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The next phase of consultation related to the Damascus Metro Green Line project will start very soon.

The first stage was a success, with:

- a significant participation of the population of Damascus and users of public transport,
- an important number of questions sent via the Green Line website (<http://www.damascus-metro.com>),
- technical questions raised by specialists of public transport and urban planning.

The new stage will lead to the selection of the best route for the Green Line. Several ways to participate to the consultation:

1. Brochures and questionnaires will be distributed in strategic points located in the Green Line corridor.
2. By using the Green Line website <http://www.damascus-metro.com>.

This second stage of consultation will have the following objectives:

1. To receive the participants' comments about the Green Line route.
2. To gather opinions about the project options regarding its path in some critical and sensitive parts of the project (the city centre, the transport hubs, and some important axis like Mezzeh).
3. To inform the population and future users about the possible infrastructures of the Green Line. Three possibilities will be discussed: elevated, at grade or underground.
4. To give information about the project environmental and social impacts, analyses of the patronage as well as the cost of the project.

The participation in this stage of the consultation (from 31/08/2008 to 25/09/2008) is important. It will give a clear idea of the progress of the study, and will be a major element for a better integration of the population opinions concerning the proposed options.

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