

Omeras wins VE award for Dubai Metro Project

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Omeras, Europe's leading manufacturer of vitreous enamelled panels (VE) for architectural cladding and screen printed graphics, has secured the order for the internal fit out for cladding panels to the Dubai Metro Project.

The first phase is the 47 km "Red Line" which will have 29 stations, of which 2 are underground amounting to 25,000m² of both plain colour and printed panels. This is due to be fully operational 9th. September 2009.

It will run from Dubai International Airport via Union Square to Jebel Ali.

The 18 km "Green Line" will have 14 stations of which 6 are underground is scheduled to be operational in 2010. This amounts to a further 8,000m² of panels to stations running on both sides of the Creek serving Deira and Burj Dubai central business areas.



The screen printed panels are of significant historical interest where we are reproducing a collection of rare 40 year old photographic images by different photographers onto the panels in both Brown and Blue Sepia format.

The Brown Sepia are generally of desert scenes including camel racing, falcons etc. The Blue Sepia screen printed panels are of scenes around the Dubai Creek including images of Dhows.

For the first time on such a major project Omeras are also printing the image to flow around the panel returns. Until recently this technology was only possible on

small pieces.

In addition Omeras are providing a total of 12 No. different Blue station colours and also screen printing various wood veneer finishes to compliment the photographic images.

The panel sizes for Dubai Metro are generally 1800mm. x 1200mm. and designed to hook-on system.

Omeras has a sales office in the UK to compliment the HQ sales department based in Saxony, German where all manufacturing takes place.

Omeras are supplying via UAE agents Anticorrosion Protective Systems (APS) to two installation companies.

The client is JT METRO JV : Japan–Turkey Metro Joint Venture. Aedas are the Architects.

Construction started from scratch in 2005 for the Dubai Metro and will be the world's largest driverless metro project.

Additional Blue and Purple Lines are under consideration.

VE panels from Omeras are found on major buildings and civil engineering projects, particularly road tunnels in the UK, Europe and the rest of the world.

Omeras have supplied VE panels for Metro systems in the UK, Germany, Hong Kong, Singapore, China, Hungary, USA, Spain and currently Algiers.

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