

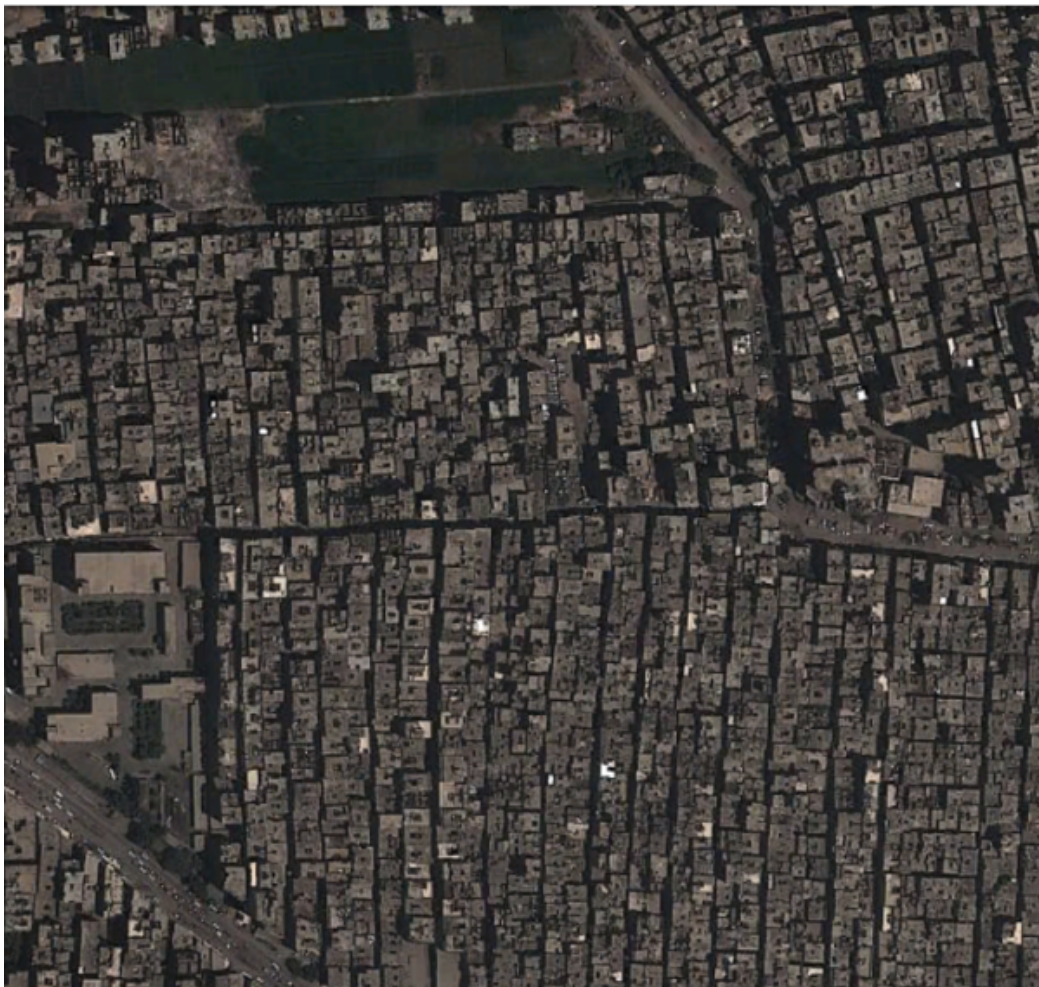


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38, Part 2: This is Cairo

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The Ard al-Lewwa neighborhood of Cairo (Google Maps)

Here is Part 2 of this week's podcast. This was an experiment: Christopher Lydon of *Radio Open Source* is in town (with collaborator Mark Fonseca Rendeiro) and we invited them to join us and gathered some of our accomplished friends to discuss a topic that is close to all of our hearts: the city of Cairo and the shape it's in today. Our conversation with architect and urban planner Omar El Nagati, blogger Mohamed El Shahed and writer/curator Sara Rifki was as rich, dense and meandering as the city itself.



Cairo in 2050, according to a masterplan adopted by the government

We discussed the meaning and potential of Cairo's reigning informality; how to find a balance between local initiative and state planning and regulation; whether the Muslim Brotherhood has a different urban development vision than the Mubarak regime; and the many exciting ways that Egyptians are laying claim to public space today.

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- Radio Open Source (<http://www.radioopensource.org/>)
- Cairoobserver (<http://www.cairoobserver.com/>)
- Beirut art and exhibition space (<http://www.beirutbeirut.org/>)
- Citizen Reporter (<http://www.citizenreporter.org/>)
- Ursula on the urban divides in Cairo, back in 2010 (<http://www.thenational.ae/news/world/and-then-cairo-turned-itself-inside-out#full>)
- A critique of the Cairo 2050 master plan (<http://cairofrombelow.org/cairo2050/>)
- Tim Mitchell's *Rule of Experts* (http://www.amazon.com/dp/0520232623/?tag=mh0b-20&hvadid=1468957413&ref=pd_sl_3xh0tyzu11_b)
- Once Again, Qursaya Residents Fight for their Land (<http://www.egyptindependent.com/news/once-again-qursaya-residents-fight-their-land>)

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