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# FROM PHYSICAL TO ETHICAL BOUNDARIES IN SLUM MAPPING

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PARAPHRASING SUSSMAN (1997)

# "THE DEVELOPMENT *(AND THE USE)* OF TECHNOLOGY INVOLVES NOT ONLY TECHNICAL CHOICES BUT ALSO POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC ONES."





## ISSUES

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# The nature of slum dwellers and slums UN-HABITAT 2002

Who are slums dwellers? Urban households lacking at least 1 of the following:

- Adequate water
- Adequate sanitation
- Sufficient living space
- Secure tenure
- Durable housing (quality of structures & environment – hazards)

Large scale surveys: Census, DHS

City and Settlement surveys



# **INDICATORS FOR SLUM DWELLERS**

# ADEQUATE WATER AND ADEQUATE SANITATION







#### **TENURE SECURITY**

#### **OVERCROWDING**



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6. Muda wa leseni hii unaweza kuongezwa.



#### > 3 persons per room

#### **DURABLE HOUSING** PRIVATE VS PUBLIC SPACE, BUILDING AND PLANNING STANDARDS





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#### **DURABLE HOUSING:** SAFE FROM NATURAL AND TECHNOLOGICAL HAZARDS









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#### HAZARDS AND SLUM FORMATION: DAR ES SALAAM



# SLUMS: spatial concentration of slum dwellers - diversity of physical forms and settings



Kampala Uganda

> Cairo Egypt



Kisumu Kenya

> Ahmedabad India









#### **GLOBAL SLUM ONTOLOGY (PHYSICAL)**





Kohli, D., Sliuzas, R., Kerle, N., & Stein, A. (2012). An ontology of slums for image-based classification. *Computers, Environment and Urban Systems*, *36*(2), 154–163.

# COMBINE THE PHYSICAL AND SOCIO-ECONOMIC COMPONENTS OF SLUMS FOR INTERVENTIONS



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# Aerial views of slums in different contexts with visual interpretation

Cape town

Key variables used ➤Colour, shape, size, tone, pattern

➢Size of houses

- ➢Roads: Lack of or irregular
- ➤Lack of vegetation
- ➤Lack of open spaces
- Building Density (compactness)
- ➢Irregularity of layout
- ➢Roof materials
- Absence of / irregular roads
- Association with environs

#### SLUM MAP: MANSHIET NASSER UPGRADING, CAIRO, EGYPT

![](_page_14_Figure_1.jpeg)

# SATELLITE IMAGE DATA: Cairo, Egypt IKONOS 1 m. – WorldView 3 30 cm

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# SOMETIMES 1M IS NOT GOOD ENOUGH DELHI, INDIA

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- Density of buildings more than 80% of roof coverage
- Very small and variable dwelling size and height

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#### DO IT YOURSELF AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY HAND-HELD NEAR VERTICAL, DOOR REMOVED

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(Source: Sliuzas, 2004)

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#### OPPORTUNITIES FOR UAV MAPPING TO SUPPORT UNPLANNED SETTLEMENT UPGRADING Caroline GEVAERT, Richard SLIUZAS, Claudio PERSELLO, George VOSSELMAN

UNIVERSITY OF TWENTE – FACULTY ITC GEOTECH CONFERENCE, RWANDA, NOV. 2015.

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# UAV FLIGHTS KIGALI MAY 2015

AGATARE: 86 HA – 4000 HOUSEHOLDS – 19000 PERSONS

- 11 days, 89 flights, 150 ha, 15 700 images
- DJI Phantom 2 Vision+, 1.2 kg., 14MP RGB camera, fish-eye lens,
- Flight planning with Pix4D app for smartphone

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#### Source: Caroline Gevaert <sup>21</sup>

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# SIGNIFICANCE FOR UPGRADING PROJECTS

#### DESCRIBE AREA AND PRIORITIZE INTERVENTIONS

Existing Orthophoto (2008, 20 cm pixels)

# UAV Orthophoto (2015, 3 cm pixels)

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Street scene from original image before adjustment and mosaic

#### DETAILS OF MOVING OBJECTS (INCLUDING MOST PEOPLE) ARE LOST IN FINAL PRODUCT (RIGHT)

![](_page_23_Picture_1.jpeg)

But who controls access to the original images and derived products?

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#### VERY HIGH RESOLUTION IMAGES CAN BE VERY INTRUSIVE

![](_page_24_Picture_1.jpeg)

#### **SIGNIFICANCE FOR UPGRADING PROJECTS** CURRENT USAGE – PARTICIPATORY DESIGN OF UPGRADING

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# SOME SOCIAL AND ETHICAL CONSIDERATIONS

- Inhabitants' first reactions:
  - Interested and joking
  - Later worried expropriation
- Who has access to which images?
- Can image acquisition be denied?

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![](_page_26_Picture_7.jpeg)

 Are there adequate safeguards during data capture and for (mis-) use of images?

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## 2D & 3D MODELLING OF SLUMS USING TERRESTRIAL IMAGERY

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#### Mapping of Mashimoni village, Mathare, Nairobi

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# TERRESTRIAL DATA ACQUISITION WITH SIMPLE EQUIPMENT

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#### SHOULD PEOPLE ON THE STREET BE PROTECTED?

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#### DO CURIOUS CHILDREN HAVE A RIGHT TO PRIVACY?

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![](_page_31_Picture_2.jpeg)

#### **SNAPSHOT FROM POINTCLOUD**

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# FINAL PRODUCTS MAY ALSO REQUIRE SCREENING TO PROTECT PRIVACY.

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### VHR images in participatory mapping for problem scoping, analysis and planning

#### Participatory Data Collection and Problem Analysis

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Who controls the process? Who owns the data and determines access rights and use?

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## TYPICAL RESPONSES TO SLUMS

- Ignore business as usual
- Upgrading infrastructure and tenure regularization
- Eviction (and resettlement)
- Guided Land Development

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#### SLUM EVICTION IN AHMEDABAD INDIA LEADS TO FURTHER DEPRIVATION RELATED MOSTLY TO SERVICE LEVELS AND LOCATION

Patel, S., Sliuzas, R., & Mathur, N. (2015). http://doi.org/10.1177/0956247815569128

![](_page_42_Picture_2.jpeg)

Many residents do not qualify

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# ETHICAL CONCERNS IN SLUM ERADICATION

- Infrastructure upgrading (capital) and maintenance (recurrent expenditure) are both required.
- Who decides and who owns the process?
- Who is eligible for compensation and resettlement?
- Who pays? Issues of affordability and possible economic displacement – gentrification?

![](_page_43_Picture_5.jpeg)

# ETHICAL CONCERNS IN SLUM ERADICATION

- Need integrated approach sociophysical-economic
- Location matters (a lot) –
  relocation can have an enormous
  impact on livelihoods and lives
  (Cernea, 1997; Patel, Sliuzas and
  Mathur 2016)
  - Winners and losers
  - Cost sharing
  - Quality of life is not just about the physical infrastructure and the quality of house
  - Diversity in poverty landowners, tenants

# Slum providing laundry services to wealthier neighbours. Vizag, India.

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![](_page_44_Picture_9.jpeg)

# DOES UPGRADING REMOVE THE "SLUM" LABEL?

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# REFLECTION

- Need to think more deeply about (geo)ethics in our slum related research.
- Guidelines are required for data acquisition (spatial and socioeconomic) to protect subjects' rights.
- In research and project work ethics should play a role.
- More attention is needed for ethics in education at MSc and PhD levels.

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