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Putting Khartoum (Sudan) on the Map - 06 October 2022

Transforming Africa's Transit through the DT4A Innovation Challenge



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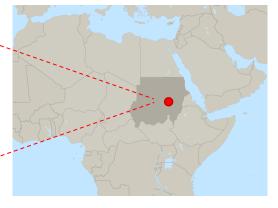




Khartoum, Sudan















Transit Woes in the Captial

According to previous studies by the Ministry of Transportation, approximately 80% of the population of Khartoum relies on some combination of bus transportation and walking for their daily modal needs.









- Rising prices
- Long queues
- Overcrowding
- Low Availability

No visibility into the system









KhartouMap Project

Location:

Khartoum, Sudan





Public Communications and Raising Awareness of Project



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Mapping & Validating GPS Routes

Conducting Neighborhood-Level Transit Mobility Surveys

University Hackathon & Start-up Seed Fund Opportunities









Khartoum has a Single-Modal Transport System

Most, if not all, routes are operated by private vehicle owners driving an aged fleet of diesel buses and vans. There is no light-rail system, and train service serves only cross-city travel (despite short-lived government plans to reopen intracity train transport in 2019).





Mitsubishi Rosa Buses, 25 passengers



Toyota Hiace Vans, 12-14 passengers



Amjad Vans,7-8 passengers



Transit Stops are Formal and Informal Throughout the Tri-City Area









Successful Route Mapping and Validation is Underway

- Multiple data streams are integrated and validated
- Field teams collect GPS tracks on active routes
- The data processing team has created automated corrective scripts for standardization to OSM



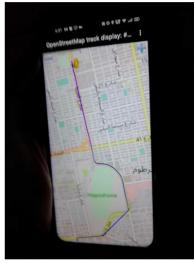




Figure 4. Mapped and Validated Routes in Khartoum, Sudan.











5 Project Deliverables Are Key Steps Towards Transit Improvements



Deliverable #1: GTFS Bus Route Database

Route long name
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- Required field data to be collected about routes spanning the entire tri-city capital area, including and making special efforts to reach underserved areas

Shapes.txt

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- Stops.txt
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 - · Stop name
 - Stop desc
 - Stop lat

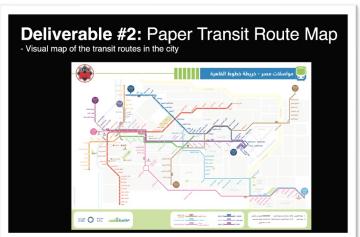
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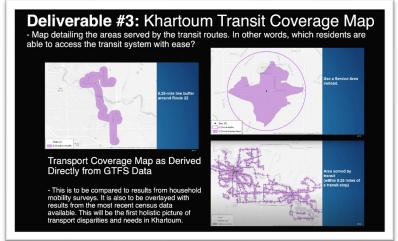
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 - · Parent station · Continuous dropoff

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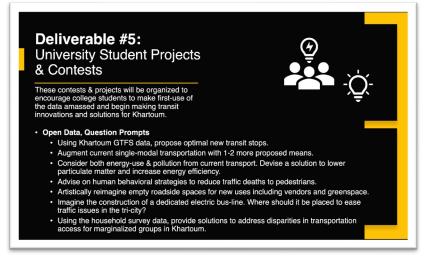


Deliverable #4:

Representative Household Surveys on Mobility, by Neighborhood

- · Sample Fields
 - Transit Use Type
 - · Frequency of Use
 - · Avg Amount Spent, Day
 - · Avg Amount Spent, Month
- · % of Total Income
- Time on Transit
- · Disability Needs
- · Average Wait Time
- · Time of Day
- · Source of Largest Service Distributions













Project Sponsors

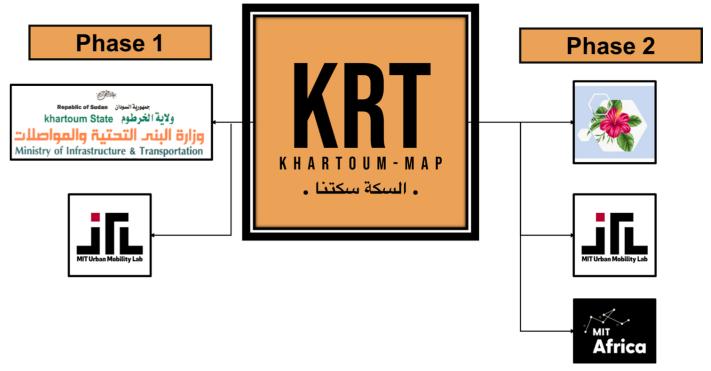


Figure 2. Stakeholders Mapping.





DT4A Innovation Challenge











How Can You Help KhartouMap?



1) Support the Household Mobility Survey Effort

With additional financial support, we can expand the survey reach and its representation of the population.

2) Sponsor a University Hackathon Prize

We have three prizes available and are looking to expand the opportunities available with named prizes.

3) Match the Seed Fund Allocation

Seed fund will go to support MVP development of startup based on transit data produced. Seeking a matching donation to support the entrepreneurial ecosystem.

4) Conduct Accessibility or Comparability Studies with other Cities

We are very interested in comparability of Khartoum with other regional or global cities and invite researchers to commit to using our data.

5) Contribute to the Crowdsourcing Effort

We are opening a parallel open data collection effort, and we invite all in Khartoum to participate.

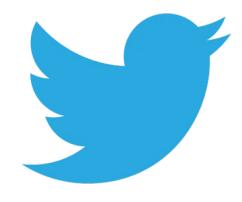
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