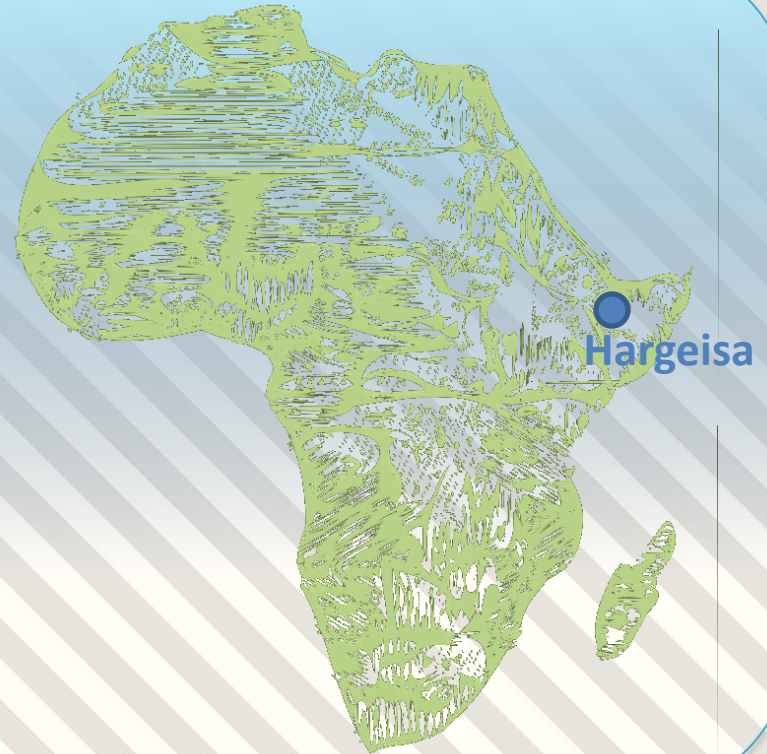


Smart City Planning with Drone Data- A Case Study



Drone generated geo-referenced high resolution 2D and 3D GIS maps are emerging as a must have tool to design, plan and execute smart city projects around the world.

HUVIAiR Technologies created such maps for Hargeisa, the capital of Somaliland, Africa.



Project Background



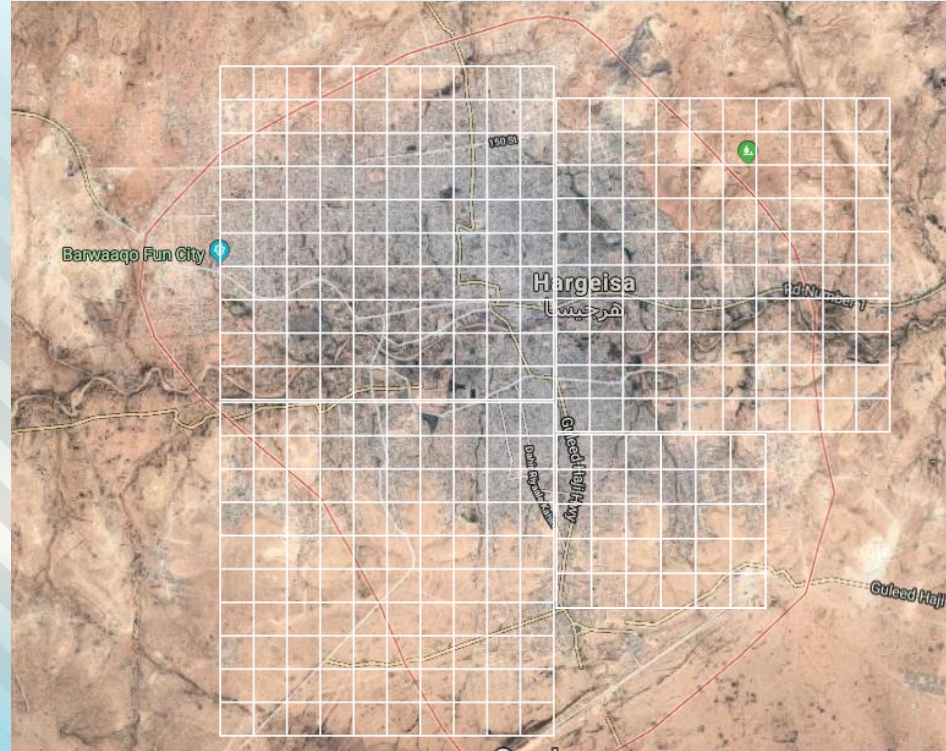
Hargeisa, the capital city of Somaliland covers almost 20,000 acres of urban built up area and has a population of 1.6m.

The Government of Somaliland is using cutting edge technology to enhance governance and to plan the complete development of the city. Using Drone Data technology, Huviair is helping the Government of Somaliland to achieve this.

Process

Flight planning

The entire area was subdivided into multiple zones and flight plans were created for each zone.



Process

Drone platform selection Two phantom 4 pro drones were used.



AIRCRAFT

Weight (Battery & Propellers Included)	1388 g
Diagonal Size (Propellers Excluded)	350 mm
Max Ascent Speed	S-mode: 6 m/s P-mode: 5 m/s
Max Descent Speed	S-mode: 4 m/s P-mode: 3 m/s
Max Speed	S-mode: 45 mph (72 kph) A-mode: 36 mph (58 kph) P-mode: 31 mph (50 kph)
Max Tilt Angle	S-mode: 42° A-mode: 35° P-mode: 25°
Max Angular Speed	S-mode: 250°/s A-mode: 150°/s
Max Service Ceiling Above Sea Level	19685 feet (6000 m)
Max Wind Speed Resistance	10 m/s
Max Flight Time	Approx. 30 minutes
Operating Temperature Range	32° to 104°F (0° to 40°C)
Satellite Positioning Systems	GPS/GLONASS
Hover Accuracy Range	Vertical: ±0.1 m (with Vision Positioning) ±0.5 m (with GPS Positioning)

VISION SYSTEM

Operating Range	Forward Vision System: Backward Vision System: Downward Vision System: ±21 mph (50 kph) at 6.6 ft (2 m) above ground
Obstacle Range	0 - 33 feet (0 - 10 m)
Operating Range	0 - 33 feet (0 - 10 m)
Obstacle Sensory Range	2 - 98 feet (0.7 - 30 m)
FOV	Forward: 60° (Horizontal), ±27° (Vertical) Backward: 50° (Horizontal), ±27° (Vertical) Downward: 70° (Front and Rear), 50° (Left and Right)
Measuring Frequency	Forward: 10 Hz Backward: 10 Hz Downward: 70 Hz
Sensor	1" CMOS Effective pixels: 20M
Lens	FOV 84° 8.8 mm/24 mm (35 mm format equivalent) f/2.8 - f/11 auto focus at 1 m - ∞
ISO Range	Video: 100 - 3200 (Auto) 100 - 6400 (Manual) Photo: 100 - 3200 (Auto) 100 - 12800 (Manual)
Mechanical Shutter Speed	8 - 1/2000 s
Electronic Shutter Speed	8 - 1/8000 s

GIMBAL

Stabilization	3-axis (pitch, roll, yaw)
Controllable Range	Pitch: -90° to +30°
Max Controllable Angular Speed	Pitch: 90°/s
Angular Vibration Range	±0.02°

INFRARED SENSING SYSTEM

Obstacle Sensory Range	0.6 - 23 feet (0.2 - 7 m)
FOV	70° (Horizontal), ±10° (Vertical)
Measuring Frequency	10 Hz
Operating Environment	Surface with diffuse reflection material, and reflectivity > 5 (such as wall, trees, humans, etc.)

CAMERA

Sensor	1" CMOS Effective pixels: 20M
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Image Size	3:2 Aspect Ratio: 5472 × 3648 4:3 Aspect Ratio: 4864 × 3648 16:9 Aspect Ratio: 5472 × 3078
IRV Image Size	4096 × 2160 (4096 × 2160 24/25/30/48/50p) 3840 × 2160 (3840 × 2160 24/25/30/48/50/60p)

INTELLIGENT FLIGHT BATTERY

Capacity	5870 mAh
Voltage	15.2 V
Battery Type	LiPo 4S
Energy	89.2 Wh
Net Weight	468 g
Charging Temperature Range	41° to 104°F (5° to 40°C)
Max Charging Power	160 W

Process

Data capture process

A total of 12 ground control points were marked and established using the Trimble R8 in RTK mode.



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After obtaining the required permissions from aviation and local authorities, the 2 drones were flown simultaneously and autonomously across the areas of interest.

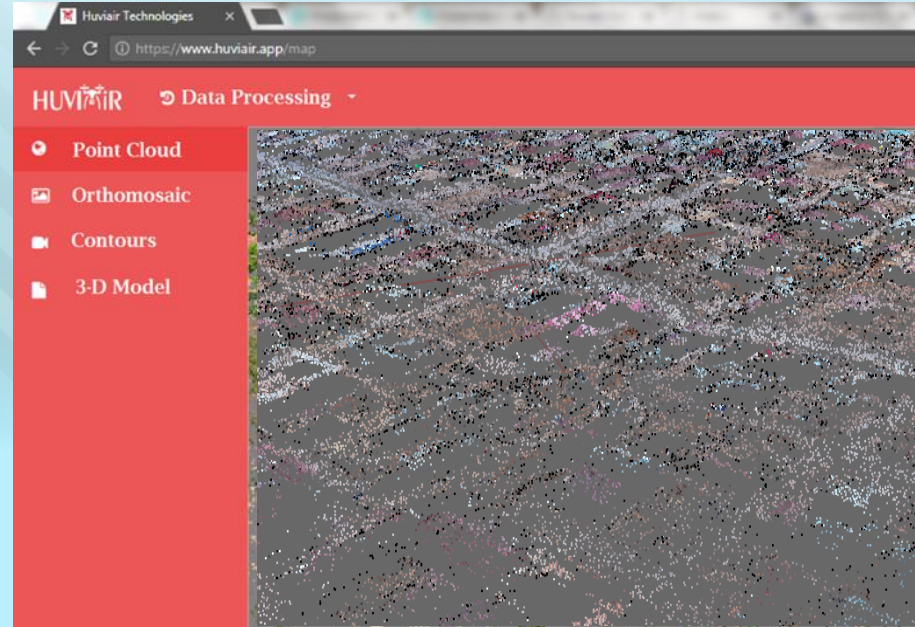
Two drone pilots flew the drones and completed the data capture process in 7 days.



Data Processing

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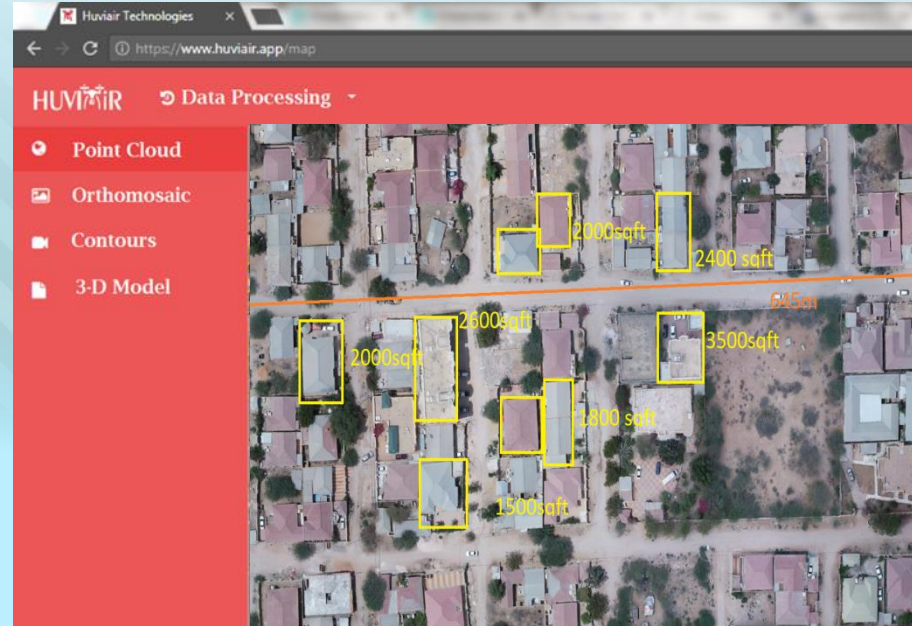
The HUVIAiR app was used for processing all the data collected with drones.



Outcomes

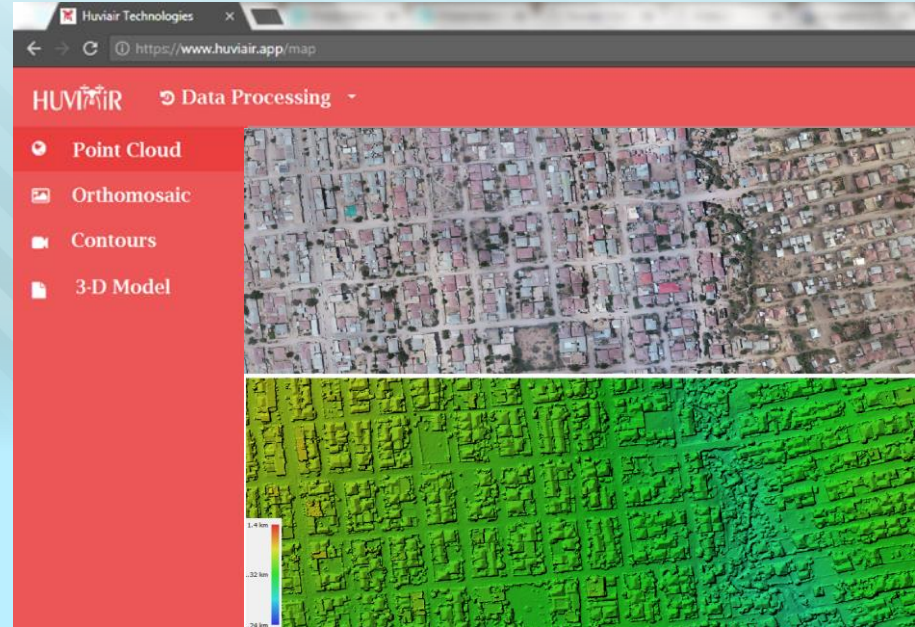
Various images of the site were stitched together to form one single 2D top view ultra high resolution and accurate image of the city.

As the orthomosaic has the resolution of 5cm/ pixel, extremely accurate measurement of lengths and areas of property was done.



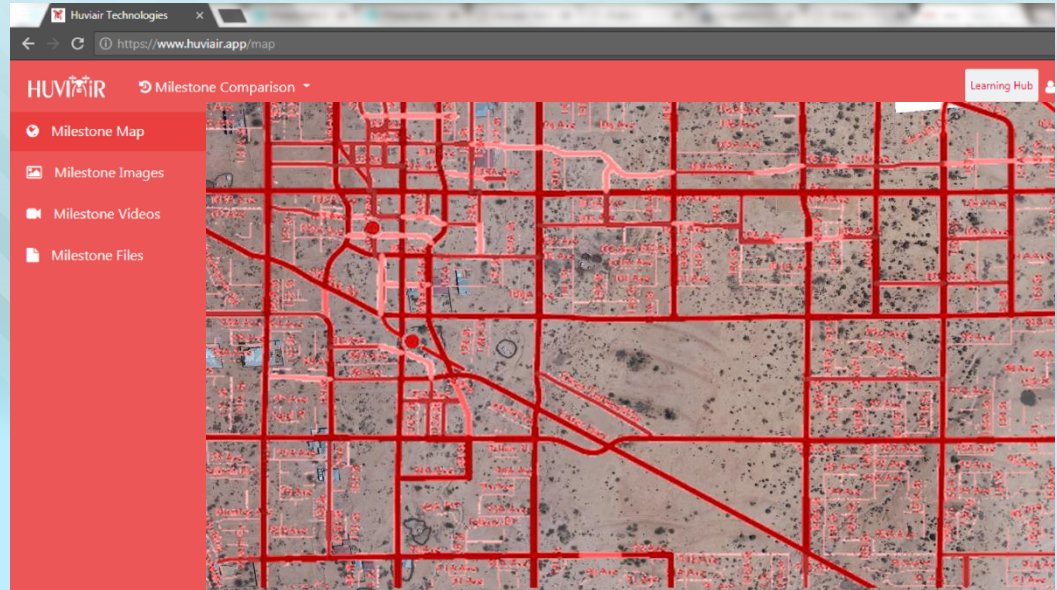
Outcomes

Urban surface water models for Drainage systems and Rainwater harvesting were created using the drone generated digital surface model.



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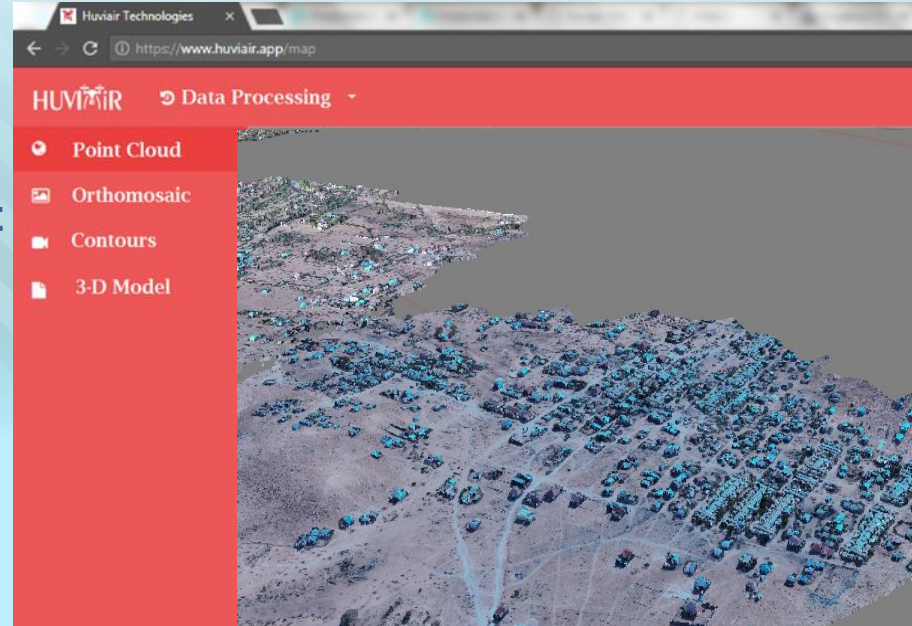
3-D Model

A 3D model of the city was generated.

This model was used to fly/orbit through the city to visualize the details in 3D and to plan the work at hand.

Example

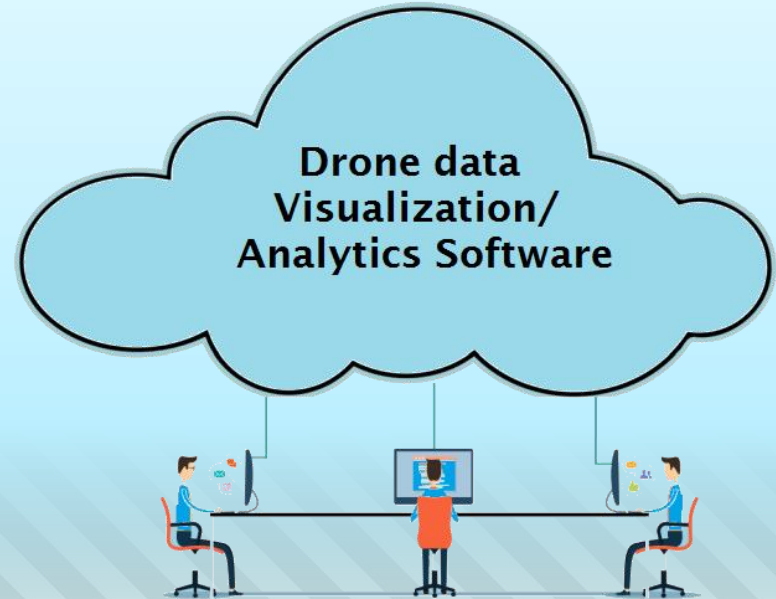
<http://huviar.com/3dmodel.html>



Software

All the outputs were deployed in the HUVIAiR app – a browser based cloud software for all drone data visualization and analytics.

This enabled the Government officials to visualize, analyze and manage the outputs generated from any device and from any location.



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The HUVIAiR platform was used to label and measure each property.

With this data, a GIS based property tax information system was created and the property tax is fixed based on the property size and location. Each property was geo-referenced and the ownership was digitally established.

Further the following outputs were generated-

- Postal code zoning system
- Nomenclature of City roads
- Road network plan, powerlines routing , water piping routing
- Urban surface water models for Drainage systems and Rainwater harvesting

HUVIAiR continues to provide inputs and solutions to enable the city administration to execute all of the above plans.

Impact

This project led to the following -

- The entire project was completed within 3 weeks, saving 6 months of on ground traditional survey work.
- Due to the extremely high accuracy of drone data outputs, all the infrastructure plans such as road network plan, powerlines routing and water piping routing were created and executed swiftly without any errors and deviations
- For the first time in history, complete survey maps of the city were available to decision makers in the Government.



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