MAKING SUSTAINABLE CITIES 2022
“La Fabrique de la Ville Durable”
A Forum for Sustainable Initiatives &
An International Conference
Facing Climate Change, Making the City Sustainable

March 25th, 26th and 27th, 2022
at the French Institute of Egypt in Cairo
The international scientific community as well as most governments have recognized climate change to be one of the most challenging existential threats of our time. The impacts on our planet bearing upon global warming are becoming ever more substantial and increasingly harder to reverse. And even still, this aspect is only one element on a long list of rapid and intertwined changes both produced by and affecting humanity.

In the run-up to the upcoming UNFCC COP 27 in Sharm El Sheikh and following on from our previous conferences on sustainable cities and 2020’s “Being a citizen in a metropolis”, this 5th edition of La Fabrique will continue to address the ever-rising stakes of climate change and engage in a thought-provoking dialogue on the means to resolve this global issue in the cities of the MENA region.

This March, 25th, 26th & 27th, in Cairo, La Fabrique is directing both national and international research efforts towards the challenges of climate change while highlighting some of the most prominent initiatives carried out by the Egyptian and regional civil society actors that offer different pathways to protect our urban environments. 2022’s edition of La Fabrique is a two-tier event, consisting of “the Sustainable City Forum” and “Facing climate change, making the city sustainable” conference. Through this three-day event, La Fabrique offers you a series of experiments, digital activities, scientific and transdisciplinary discussions that foster networking and create collaboration opportunities for various actors engaged in the response to climate change and the increasing urbanization.

This year, the CEDEJ, the French Institute in Egypte (IFE) and the Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung (FES) are joining forces to explore, experiment, and discuss solutions for climate change. The two-day conference in Cairo will be followed by a second conference led by the FES at the Bibliotheca Alexandrina. These two conferences are part of the Franco-German “Month of Sustainable Cities” taking place this March 2022. This month’s events include the Friedrich Ebert Stiftung’s “Urban Lab Camp” in Alexandria, International Women’s Day on “Feminism and Ecology” organized by the Embassy of France and the French Institute of Egypt in Cairo, International Women’s Day organized by the French Institute of Egypt, the Goethe Institute and B’sarya Arts in Alexandria as well as La Fabrique de la Ville Durable in Cairo.
On the topic of environmental degradation, three inextricable elements will be discussed and vetted through international research efforts:

1. Climate disruption and its often tragic consequences: urban heat islands, drought, extreme weather conditions floods, etc...
2. The Anthropocene and all environmental mutations that resulted from human activity and unrestrained urban development: mining, anthropogenous transformation of lands, urban sprawl and loss of biodiversity.
3. Air, water and soil pollution as well as greenhouse gas emissions and their immediate impact on general health, that has become quite evident in the light of the pandemic.

Urban environments are undoubtedly the main reason for this systemic destruction but they are also where the impact is most severe. Although they are the largest producers of greenhouse gases and the most polluted areas in the region, metropolises score the highest rates when it comes to environmental awareness.

Three major transformations are vetted. One that explores surface solutions without questioning the reasons behind the urban sprawl or vehicle dependency, one opts for technical solutions to reduce the impacts like using alternative non-fossil fuels to lessen the carbon footprint, and lastly, one that looks to assess and evaluate, and pushes people and businesses to change the way they produce or consume products, which results into creating what is called: “Transition cities”.

Cities in the MENA region are particularly affected by the consequences of environmental degradation. Some are facing the threat of an imminent collapse due to extreme weather conditions—especially in the most populous areas—water shortage, floods and severe pollution, all endangering the lives of millions of city residents. Yet, vehicle dependency is increasing every year, as is the demand for valuable resources. Therefore, there’s a dire need for a global assessment by the scientific community, for which this conference lays the groundwork and opens a conversation with both city residents and experts.
The Sustainable Initiatives Forum

March 25th, 2022
01:00 – 8:00 PM

March 26th and 27th, 2022
10:00 AM – 6:00 PM
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<td>AESVT</td>
<td>Established in 1994, AESVT is a renowned Moroccan association leading projects for the environment, mainly in the field of education. Its 2000 members and 10000 volunteers are advocating for sustainable cities, the preservation of biodiversity and providing training for ecological transition.</td>
<td><a href="http://www.aesvtnmaroc.org">www.aesvtnmaroc.org</a> - <a href="mailto:communication.aesvt@gmail.com">communication.aesvt@gmail.com</a></td>
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<td>Banlastic</td>
<td>Banlastic is a social enterprise based in Alexandria that tackles the plastic pollution problem since 2018. It aims to ban single-use plastic in Egypt by offering alternative products, creating a base of aware customers through delivering workshops, training, beach cleanups, and various environmental events.</td>
<td><a href="http://www.banlasticegypt.com">www.banlasticegypt.com</a> - <a href="mailto:info@banlasticegypt.com">info@banlasticegypt.com</a></td>
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<td>Button-up</td>
<td>Button-up is a social enterprise that seeks to achieve economic empowerment of youth and women in Cairo’s most impoverished areas through lines of Eco-friendly products, trainings and promotion.</td>
<td><a href="http://www.buttonup100.com">www.buttonup100.com</a> - <a href="mailto:info@buttonup100.com">info@buttonup100.com</a></td>
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<td>Envirofest</td>
<td>Envirofest is a cultural, educational and cinematic event that has turned into a platform for a better understanding of environmental issues and debates around this theme. Present in eight different cities across Tunisia, the event has become a key moment for environmental actors in North Africa.</td>
<td><a href="http://www.envirofest.tn">www.envirofest.tn</a> - <a href="mailto:contact@envirofest.tn">contact@envirofest.tn</a></td>
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<td>Greenish</td>
<td>Greenish is an Egyptian social enterprise founded in 2017 to raise awareness about the environmental issues facing Egyptian local communities. One of Greenish’s latest projects is working in five governorates to deliver a four-day training program to environmental activists in addition to hands-on training on building an environmental campaign.</td>
<td><a href="http://www.green-ish.org">www.green-ish.org</a> - <a href="mailto:info@greenishheart.com">info@greenishheart.com</a></td>
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<td>Live Love</td>
<td>Live Love is a social enterprise supporting communities with basic needs through a promotion of sustainable development practices. One of its famous projects, Live Love has become the first %100 solution to waste crisis in Lebanon with an app offering free pick-up and recycling of waste. It is now also supporting on many levels the rehabilitation of neighborhoods in Beirut.</td>
<td><a href="http://www.livelove.org">www.livelove.org</a> - <a href="mailto:hello@livelove.org">hello@livelove.org</a></td>
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<td>Megawra-BEC</td>
<td>Megawra-BEC is a platform for debate and action in the urban environment with a focus on theory, praxis, art and linking cultural heritage to sustainability and social responsibility. Established in the Al Khalifa neighborhood, in Cairo, Megawra has been supporting students of architecture and heritage preservation, while renovating and developing many parts of the area.</td>
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<td>The Nada</td>
<td>The Nada is an Egyptian non-profit organization established in 2014, with a focus on road safety and safe mobility. Aiming to eliminate road traffic fatalities, it has initiated projects from public awareness campaigns, capacity building, environmental advocacy and partnerships.</td>
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<td>NCE</td>
<td>NCE is a non-governmental organization that is dedicated to the conservation of Egypt’s natural heritage and the promotion of its sustainable use for the benefit of the present and future generations. It achieves these aims through demonstration of practical conservation measures, awareness raising activities, studies and lobbying.</td>
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<td>Om Habibeh Foundation</td>
<td>In 2007, Om Habibeh was created to support agricultural communities in Aswan through sustainable improvement of productivity and income. It promotes environmentally sound agricultural practices, with a strong focus on the inclusion of women farmers in the community’s leadership.</td>
<td><a href="http://www.facebook.com/OmHabibehFoundation">www.facebook.com/OmHabibehFoundation</a></td>
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<td>Solar Solutions</td>
<td>Solar Solutions is a social start-up looking to implement modern and clean energy solutions in Egyptian houses, to reduce the carbon footprint while offering a cost-saving approach for customers.</td>
<td><a href="http://www.solarsolutionseg.com">www.solarsolutionseg.com</a> - <a href="mailto:info@solarsolutionseg.com">info@solarsolutionseg.com</a></td>
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<td>Sustainable Fashion Alliance is a platform of fashion designers, brand owners, stylists and industry players who are engaged on sustainability from a social, cultural and environmental aspect. It seeks to share ideas and discussions and foster collaborations on big projects and events. <a href="http://www.facebook.com/groups/sfamena">www.facebook.com/groups/sfamena</a></td>
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<td>Tabdeel is a group of Egyptian urban planners and cycling enthusiasts working on making cycling a means of transportation in Egypt. Among its projects, Tabdeel organizes various workshops, offers a new urban planning for Cairo and Alexandria, and is starting conversations on the implementation of cycling infrastructures in Egypt. <a href="http://www.tabdeel.org">www.tabdeel.org</a> - <a href="mailto:tabdeel.eg@gmail.com">tabdeel.eg@gmail.com</a></td>
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<td>Takafou is an NGO based in Minya Governorate that supports communities through sustainable development. With innovative solutions, training and basic needs, Takafou aims notably to empower women farmers by trying to eliminate their main and basic concerns. <a href="http://www.facebook.com/TakafuFoundation">www.facebook.com/TakafuFoundation</a> - <a href="mailto:mariem_nabel@yahoo.com">mariem_nabel@yahoo.com</a></td>
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<td>Takween is an urban development company that aims to improve the quality of life for the city residents of the Middle East. From Urban planning and research to heritage preservation and management, Takween focuses on solutions that meet the needs of the communities and their specific urban environment. <a href="http://www.takween-eg.com">www.takween-eg.com</a> - <a href="mailto:info@takween-eg.com">info@takween-eg.com</a></td>
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<td>Tunisie Recyclage and Soli &amp; Green are two Tunisian social enterprises founded by Houssem Hamdi. Tunisie Recyclage allows residents of North Tunis to learn how to sort waste at home, while Soli &amp; Green focuses on fighting against environmental disasters, through reforestation, clean up and training campaigns. <a href="http://www.tunisierecyclage.org">www.tunisierecyclage.org</a> - facebook.com/SoliNgreen</td>
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<td>Reform Studio is an award-winning international design studio based in Cairo that focuses on responsibly crafted product design. Their products are mostly vintage, fully sustainable and support unprivileged women’s communities. <a href="http://www.reformstudio.net">www.reformstudio.net</a> - <a href="mailto:info@reformstudio.net">info@reformstudio.net</a></td>
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<td>VeryNile is the first initiative to develop sustainable means to clean the Nile while raising awareness on the importance of protecting our environment. VeryNile focuses on both social and environmental impact, with clean up campaigns, recycling, and gathering communities around this cause. <a href="http://www.verynile.org">www.verynile.org</a> - <a href="mailto:info@bassita.org">info@bassita.org</a></td>
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<td>Yolda Initiative is a turkish nature conservation organisation working on the international level, with a focus on conserving biodiversity through research, advocacy, communication and by working on creating partnerships. It also highly supports traditional cultural practices, such as pastoralism. <a href="http://www.yolda.org.tr">www.yolda.org.tr</a> - <a href="mailto:info@yolda.org.tr">info@yolda.org.tr</a></td>
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<td>You Think Green is a social enterprise that focuses on fostering Sustainability and Entrepreneurship among youth sector via educational programs and events. Since its establishment in 2013, it has pushed hundreds of entrepreneurs towards renewable energy, energy management, water sustainability and waste management. <a href="http://www.ytg.eco">www.ytg.eco</a> - <a href="mailto:info@ytg.eco">info@ytg.eco</a></td>
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<td>Established in 2012, Youth Loves Egypt is an NGO aiming at promoting sustainable development across Egypt, having actions from trainings to clean up campaign and ecotourism. Among its various projects, it has recently organized a cycle marathon and beautified the unknown soldier square in Alexandria. <a href="http://www.yle-foundation.com">www.yle-foundation.com</a> - <a href="mailto:info@ylefoundation.com">info@ylefoundation.com</a></td>
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<td>The Zabbaleen association is one of the representatives of the renowned community that reuses and recycles many materials. Over the years, the Zabbaleen community has been developing one of the best recycling competencies across the world.</td>
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| 01:00 pm - 03:45 pm| Presentations            | • Manar Ramadan (Banlastic)  
• Ahmed Fathy (YLE)  
• Shehab Abou Zeid (NADA Foundation)  
• Mostafa Habib (VeryNile)  
• Mariam Hazem (Reform Studio)  
• Houssem Hamdi (Tunisie Recyclage - Tunisia)  
• Salah Ghanem (Button-up)  
• Romani Badre (Zabbaleen)  
• George & Eddy Bitar (Live Love – Lebanon) |
| 03:45 pm - 04:00 pm| Break                    |                                                                                         |
| 04:00 pm - 05:15 pm| Speeches                 | • Da7ee7, YouTuber  
• Nadine Delattre, French Deputy councillor of cultural cooperation in Egypt  
• H.E. Marc Baréty, Ambassador of France in Egypt  
• Dr. Yasmine Fouad, the Egyptian Minister of Environment |
| 05:15 pm - 06:30 pm| Panel: Collaborative efforts towards building more resilient African cities - A case for COP 27 - YTG | Moderator: Abdelrahman Fahmy (You Think Green)  
• Prof. Heba Khalil, Professor of Sustainable Urbanism, Cairo University  
• H.E. Mohamed Nasr, Director of Environment and Sustainable Development, Ministry of Foreign Affairs  
• H.E. Mahmoud Mohiy El-din, IMF, COP 27 Champion  
• Rania Hedeya, Country Program Director, UN-Habitat |
| 06:45 pm - 08:00 pm| Film screening «Immuto» and discussion with Banlastic. |                                                                                         |
The International Conference
“Facing Climate Change, Making the City Sustainable”

March 26th and 27th, 2022
## DAY 2 – Saturday 26 March
« Identifying socio-climatic risks » (General Public)

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| 09:00 am - 10:00 am | **Introduction**                            | What is the role of the Paris Agreement and the Glasgow Climate Pact in addressing climate change? In the MENA region, climate change has to be faced in an inclusive perspective and according to a paradigm of transition rather than adaptation.  
- Sherif Dawoud, Ministry of Planning  
- Richard Probst, Friedrich Ebert Stiftung  
- Agnès Deboulet, CEDEJ  
- A.K.M Saiful Islam, Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology, IPCC expert |
| 10:00 am - 11:30 am | **Panel 1 - Metropolises, Fragile Deltas, Vulnerable Territories** | The Nile Delta and Cairo are among the most densely urbanized regions of the world. This panel will address the different facets of climate change by examining its consequences and the future of this region.  
- **Keynote speech:** Sylvie Fanchette, Research Institute for Development (IRD)  
  Deltas' vulnerability linked to climate and environmental changes: the metropolisation challenges in Asia and Nile Delta  
- Round table:  
  - A.K.M Saiful Islam, Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology  
  - Florian Bonnefoi, CEDEJ  
  - Maël Crépy, IFAO  
  - Momen El Husseiny, AUC  
  - Dwelling at the liminalities of Capitalocene and Urban Expansions  
  - Moderators: Holger Gladys, German University in Cairo and Noha Roushdy, Boston University |
| 11:30 am - 11:45 am | **Coffee Break**                             |                                                                               |
| 11:45 am - 13:15 pm | **Panel 2 - The Metropolis Facing Climate Change: Global Warming, Pollution, and Urban Heat Islands** | The challenges of data availability, access to information and health consequences are among the priorities when addressing climate change. This panel reviews the diversity of climate challenges, ranging from the most visible to the least tangible forms of pollution, whether it be water, air, or soil.  
- **Keynote speech:** Soraya Boudia, University of Paris  
  Health and environmental risks in the age of the global environmental crisis  
- Round table:  
  - Ahmed El Dorghamy, UN-Habitat  
  - Ragia Elgerzawy, Egyptian Initiative for Personal Rights  
  - Tala Alaeddine, Public Works Studio (Beirut)  
  - Emmanuel Osuteye, DPU, University College London  
  - Systems of extraction and toxic ecologies: the case of cement production and quarrying in Lebanon  
  - Emmanuel Osuteye, DPU, University College London  
  - Climate resilience pathways in informal settlements in Africa  
  - Moderators: Mehdi Labzaé, CEDEJ et Abir Saksouk, Public works Studio |
| 13:30         | **Lunch Break**                              |                                                                               |
### Panel 3

**Unsustainable Metropolis: Assessing Socioclimatic Risks**

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| 02:30 pm - 04:00 pm | **Keynote speech:** Philipp Rode, LSE  
Cities and climate action: The radical decarbonisation of the transport sector  
**Round table:**  
- Heba Ahmed Attia Mousa, Tabdeel  
  Soft mobility and urban planning in Cairo  
- Pascal Menoret, Brandeis University  
  The Petroptimist  
- David Sims, independent economist and urban planner  
  Environmental impacts of urban sprawl in Egypt  
- Ahmed Zaazaa, 10 tooba  
  The Environmental Price for the New Real Estate Development Paradigm  
Moderators: Marie Vannetzel, CEDEJ/CNRS et Dalia Wahdan, AUC |

#### Coffee Break

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| 04:00 pm - 04:15 pm | **Panel 4**  
Unsustainable Metropolis and Urban Climate Change Practices  
**Keynote speech:** Yves Cabannes, DPU, University College London  
Contributions of Participatory Budgeting to climate change adaptation and mitigation  
**Round table:**  
- Romain Leclercq, Centre des politiques de la terre  
  Making Disaster “Acceptable” - Urban Engineering and climate change adaptation policies  
- Dalila Ghodbane, CEDEJ  
  Building Climate Resilience in Cairo: An Architectural Issue  
- Eleni Mougiakou, Common space (Athens)  
  The initiative Participatory LAB for Climate Change Adaptation  
- François Menguelle, GIZ  
  Matching climate action with specific urban contexts and intervention typologies  
- Riham Abdelhamid, Bibliotheca Alexandrina  
  BA Social Responsibilities in Building Youth capacities Youth Capacities towards Sustainable Development  
Moderators: Agnès Deboulet, CEDEJ and Waleed Mansour, FES |
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<td>09:30 am</td>
<td>Intro</td>
<td>Keynote speech: <strong>Nabil El-Hady, Cairo University</strong> Responsible consumption and production are goals to be reached, but do we need to consume all what we produce? This panel will address this question through a political ecology lens. Round table:</td>
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|              |                                                                         | - **Mohamed Kamal**, Greenish  
Understanding the Municipal Solid Waste State of Mansheyat Dahshur  
- **Mostafa Habib**, VeryNile  
Initiative to clean the Nile  
- **Maha Bouhlel**, Université La Manouba  
Environmental and ecological justice in the city, in light of the issue of waste disposal  
- **Lukas Schäfer**, GIZ  
National Solid Waste Management Programme (NSWMP)  
- **Romani Badre**, Zabbaleens organisation  
The role of Zabbaleen in facing climate changeMo  |
| 10:00 am     | Panel 5                                                                 | Consumption and Waste: Towards Sobriety? Round table:                                                                                     |
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| 10:00 am     |                                                                 | **Moderators**: **Mehdi Labzáé, CEDEJ and Sylvie Fanchette, IRD**                                                                         |
| 11:30 am     | Coffee Break                                                           |                                                                                                                                            |
| 11:45 am     | Panel 06                                                                | Public Spaces and Bio-Diversity in the City                                                                                               |
|              |                                                                         | Decarbonization and preservation of the urban environment are tied together. Are green public spaces and biodiversity in the urban setting essential for our wellbeing? Can we reconcile urban expansion and biodiversity protection? Round table:  |
|              |                                                                         | - **Eric Huybrechts**, Paris Region Institute  
Public spaces and the Metropolis  
- **Sara Seyam**, Takween  
Urban Inclusivity and Environmentally Responsive Architecture - Creating A Women Friendly Space, ‘Izbat al-Burj, Damietta  
- **Dina Alaraj**, Bethlehem municipality  
Reinventing public Spaces in Bethlehem Project  
- **Nabil El Hady**, Cairo University  
Living in socio-ecological systems  |
| 11:45 am     |                                                                 | **Moderators**: **Luisa Arango, CEDEJ Khartoum and Momen El Husseiny, AUC**                                                                |
| 01:30 pm     | Lunch Break                                                            |                                                                                                                                            |
| 02:00 pm     | Panel 7                                                                 | Cities in Transition and Climate Justice                                                                                                 |
|              |                                                                         | This panel will look specifically at commitments to environmental justice in cities by reflecting on the proposals of « Cities in Transition ». Round table:  |
|              |                                                                         | - **Isabelle Berry-Chikhaoui & Valérie Lavaud-Letillé, Montpellier 3 University**  
Climate Change and the Just City : A “new urgency” to tackle urban issues with inhabitants and workers  
- **Abir Saksouk**, Public works Studio, Beirut  
Land policies and environmental justice : the case of publicly-owned properties in Lebanon  
- **Laila Iskander**, former minister of informal settlement  
Informal Settlements: Home to Cities' Principal Recyclers/Waste Managers and Climate Champions  
- **Abdelghani Aghzal**, Chefchaouen municipality  
Sustainable city, case of Chefchaouen, Morocco  |
| 04:00 pm     | Conclusion                                                              | Towards Environmental Governance in Cities                                                                                                 |
|              |                                                                         | **Waleed Mansour**, FES, **Leon Diaz-Bone**, ICLEI and **Agnès Deboulet**, CEDEJ                                                                                                                     |
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