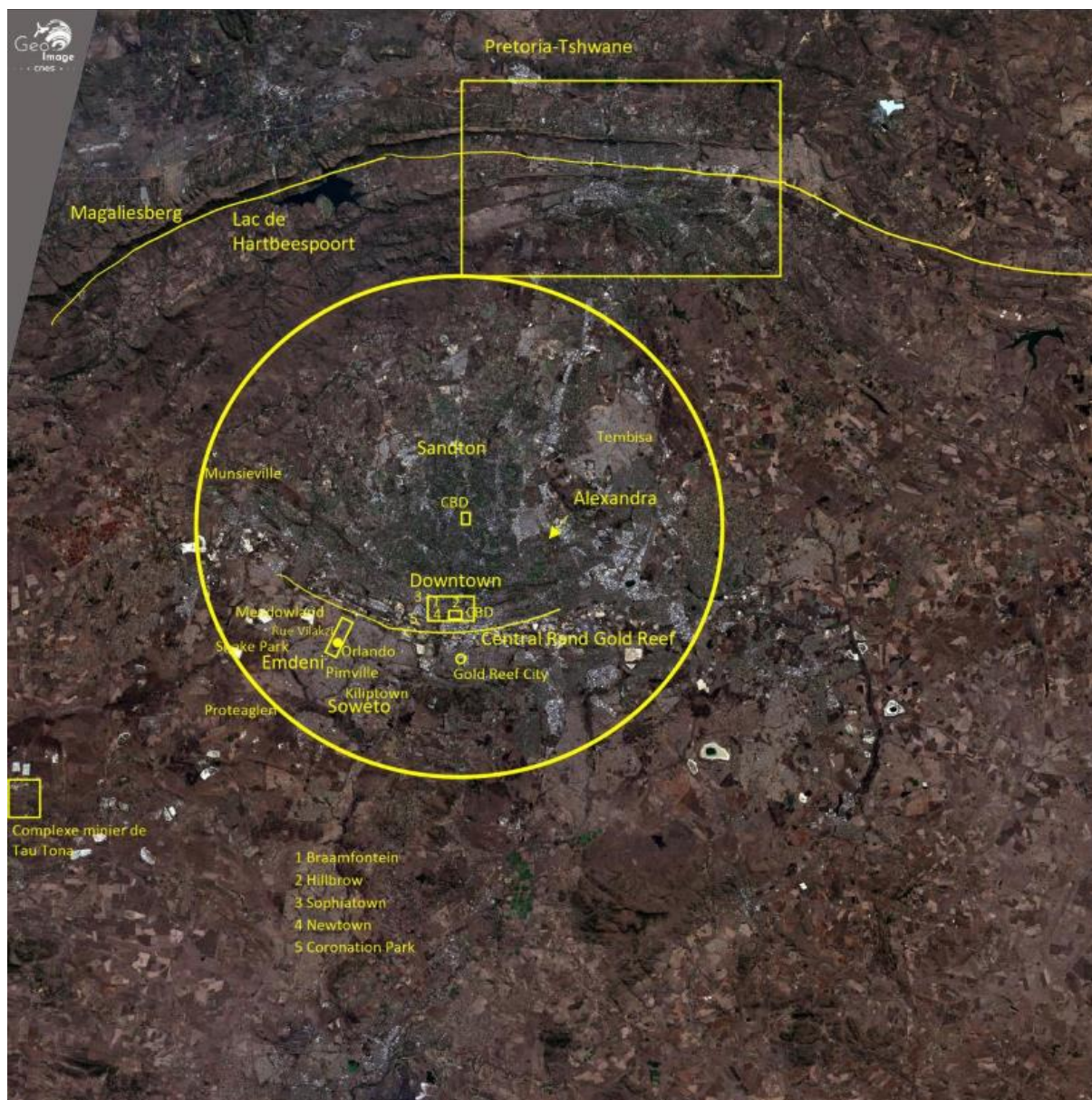


### Séances 2-3 : CONTRASTS AND DYNAMICS: EXPLORING JOHANNESBURG'S NEIGHBORHOODS

Read your file carefully, watch the video linked to your neighborhood, and do personal research to find one extra fact or image about your area. Then, prepare a short oral presentation with a visual support (5-6 minutes) to introduce your area to the rest of the class. Focus on its history, its present situation, and its future challenges or opportunities.

As you listen to each group, complete the diagram with key information from their presentation.



Source : <https://cnes.fr/geoimage/afrique-sud-johannesburg-une-ville-post-apartheid-scarifiee-recomposition>

### **Soweto – The Soul of South Africa**

**Description :** Soweto (South Western Townships) was created during apartheid to separate black South Africans from white neighborhoods. Today it is vibrant, full of life and history. However, many inequalities remain.

Explain why Soweto is a symbol of South Africa's history and describe how it is changing today.

**Video :** [Inside Soweto](#)

**Keywords :** Apartheid history / Resistance / Inequalities / Informal housing / Urban pride

**Questions :**

- How does Soweto reflect South Africa's past and future?
  - What contrasts can you see?
  - What do you feel when you see the video?
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### **Sandton – Africa's Richest Square Mile**

**Description :** Sandton is Johannesburg's modern business district, full of skyscrapers, luxury malls, banks, and five-star hotels. It shows wealth and success but also highlights urban inequalities.

Explore Sandton as a symbol of Johannesburg's wealth and modernization. Show how Sandton represents a new global image for the city, and think about the contrast with other areas.

**Video :** [Sandton the Richest Square Mile in Africa](#)

**Keywords :** Wealth / Business / Skyscrapers / Inequality / Luxury lifestyle

**Questions :**

- Is this what you expect from an African city?
  - How does luxury create divisions?
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### **Alexandra – Struggle and Survival**

**Description :** Alexandra is one of the oldest and poorest townships, located next to rich Sandton. It struggles with overcrowding, informal housing, and unemployment, but shows strong community resilience.

Show how Alexandra reflects both poverty and resilience. What are the main problems faced by the people living there?

**vidéo :** [A Day in Alexandra](#)

**Keywords :** Township / Overcrowding / Informal economy / Community / Inequality

**Questions :**

- What urban challenges can you see?
  - What solutions could help Alexandra?
  - How do people create hope in difficult conditions?
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### **Maboneng – The Creative Heartbeat**

**Description :** Maboneng was an abandoned industrial area turned into a trendy and creative district. Today it is a symbol of urban renewal but also criticized for gentrification.

Explore Maboneng as an example of urban renewal and gentrification. Describe how the neighborhood is changing thanks to artists and entrepreneurs, and reflect on the impact of this change on the local community.

**Vidéo :** [Maboneng : the creative Hub of Johannesburg](#)

**Keywords :** Gentrification / Creativity / Street art / Urban renewal / Cultural hub

**Questions :**

- Why is Maboneng attractive for young people?
- Is gentrification good or bad?
- Would you like to live there?