

Visit of the village Al Fant in the Gouvernement Beni Suef

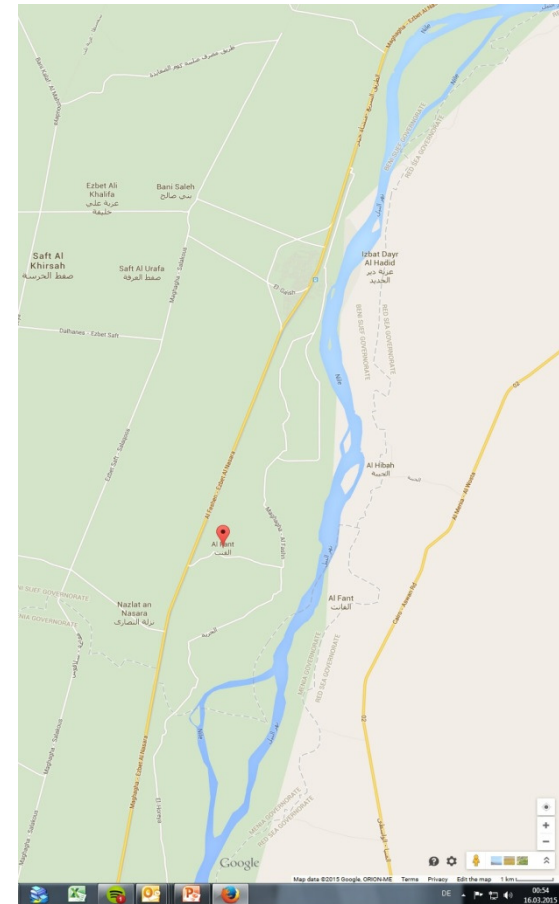
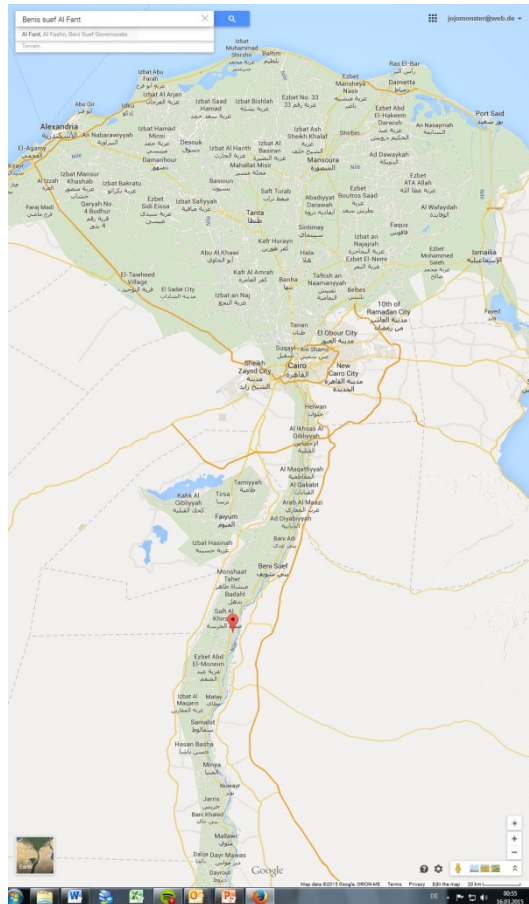
Date: February 15, 2015

Occasion: Visit of the partner club/Global
Grant

Participants:

- Rotarians of the host clubs RC Cairo
Cosmopolitan – RCCC
- Rotarians of the RC Worms Nibelungen –
RCWN
- Representative of NGO Lifevision

Geographic Position – about 100 km south of Cairo



RCWN – RCCC

a Long-lasting friendship

- The first contacts between the RC Worms and the RCCC were made in the early 1990s. In 2003 the new RCWN (RC Worms Nibelungen) was founded and since then the clubs have been friends and partners. Visits and return visits take place regularly.
- One program point in February 2015 was the visit of the village Al Fant in order to see the results of a completed fresh water project of the RCCC and to show the village that is promoted by our Global Grant.

Meeting with the village majors and the NGO representative, Mona Wissam, in the community hall of Al Fant. The majors report what is missing in Al Fant.



One of 45 households in which a water supply has already been installed by the RCCC (RC Cairo Cosmopolitan)



Walk through the village



People were very grateful and friendly despite numerous escort persons.



Farewell from Al Fant



Information

- The visit to the village was deeply emotional. Elder women kissed my hands kneeling. They embraced and kissed me. Up to 8 persons live in confined rooms, young mothers take care for a big number of children while their husbands work in Cairo and come home rarely.
- After the visit to Al Fant another village, in which up to now no household has been connected to the fresh water supply, was meant to be visited. Due to lack of time this visit did not take place. The major got on the bus and explained the situation.
- That's the reason why there are only photos of households that have already been connected.

General

- The journey took a week – from 12.02. to 17.02.2015 and included – besides the visit of Al Fant – several meetings with our friends - partly private invitations, partly the meetings took place in restaurants – and touristic attractions. I personally participated from 14.02. to 17.02.2015 and I only attended the visit of the restoration department of the Egyptian museum and a profound speech of Mr. Christian Eckmann.
- Moreover my daughter and I visited the bazaar Khan el Khalili – here you feel the struggle for basic existence more than elsewhere. However, it doesn't take much more than some warm Arab greetings not to be considered as a tourist but to be welcome with the typical Egyptian friendliness.

Café Suleiman



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I hope Egypt will strengthen and will be able to successfully fight against ISIS, MB, Al-Qaida and will – as a stable country – be a central pillar for peace in the Near East.

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