Intelligence used to be the purview of highly-trained professionals who relied heavily on classified information. A new model is emerging in which analysts outside the government collect and analyze open-source information. An important example of this development is the growing use of satellite imagery for intelligence purposes. In this webinar, we look both at the general issue of how such intelligence is collected and analyzed and at some particular examples from the study of North Korea.

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