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Contested Truths: Memory, Power, and the 1918 Pogrom in Lviv

Jewish quarter after the pogrom, on the right is the
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WHAT HAPPENED IN LVIV IN NOVEMBER 1918 — AND WHO HAD THE POWER TO DEFINE IT? THIS LECTURE EXAMINES HOW COMPETING POLISH AND JEWISH NARRATIVES SOUGHT TO ESTABLISH, DISTORT, OR SUPPRESS THE TRUTH ABOUT THE LVIV POGROM IN THE WAKE OF WORLD WAR I. FOCUSING ON THE POLITICS OF MEMORY AND MECHANISMS OF HISTORICAL STORYTELLING, IT REVEALS HOW CONTESTED TRUTHS SHAPED PUBLIC UNDERSTANDING — AND NATIONAL IDENTITY — IN THE SECOND POLISH REPUBLIC.

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