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Emancipation Reconsidered: 1550–2000

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In the mass of scholarship on the process of the Jews' „emancipation,” that is, gaining the equality of citizenship, there has not been a comprehensive synthetic study that accounts for the entirety of Europe let alone the Ottoman Empire and the Atlantic world. In this lecture David Sorkin will present a typology of emancipations, including the „three regions” of Europe and a fourth pattern in the Ottoman Empire. He will also highlight the singular characteristics of emancipation in Central Europe, namely, the states of the German Federation, the Habsburg Empire and the Wilhelmine Germany.