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“MULTIPLE IDENTITIES AND MEMORIES OF THE ARMENIAN WORLD”

by

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The presentation will analyze and discuss modern aspects of identity and memory politics in Armenia and the Armenian Diaspora, taking particular note of instrumentalization of history and historical markers— old and new symbols, heroes, historical events, etc. For a long time such questions were considered as taboo within the official rhetoric of both the Armenian state and certain diasporan circles. In fact, in different diasporan circles there are contradictory views towards Armenia and its status as ‘Homeland.’ At the same time, the institutionalization of Artsakh as a separate political entity, contrary to the initial policies of unification and merging, as well as the development of parallel diasporas, create further challenges.

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