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The Making of Yiddishland

The colloquial notion of ‘Yiddishland’ has come to identify the term with the eastern European habitat of Yiddish-speaking Jews before the *khurbn*. Opposing the notion of Yiddishland as a *lieu de mémoire*, Jeffrey Shandler argues for a definition not determined by geography: “a virtual locus construed in terms of the presence or usage of the Yiddish language, especially – though not exclusively – in its spoken form.”

These perspectives document the historically and socially determined transformation of a relatively recent concept. My talk reconstructs the genesis of that transformation, showing how Yiddishland was envisioned before the *khurbn* and how the term was understood by those who brought it in Warsaw into general use.

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