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Continuities of Violence: Street Riots in Germany from 1905 to 1923

This presentation traces street violence and politics in Germany from the unrests in Saxony in 1905 to the 1923 *Scheunenviertelpogrom* in Berlin. It examines street violence and politics as intersecting but separate phenomena, thus showing how tenuous the hold of political leaders or political ideologies were with respect to those who took to the streets to demonstrate – or riot – on behalf of political or other goals. The presentation focuses on the links between street politics before 1914 and similar occurrences during the war, while simultaneously sketching out how up to the 1923 *Scheunenviertelpogrom* street violence both changed and stayed the same. This approach allows us to question entrenched chronologies and supposed historical turning points by revealing continuities of violence that did not disappear after 1914 or only appeared in 1918.

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