The Great Game, the Great War, and the Mess of the Modern Middle East

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Once described as the “War to End War,” the first World War and its legacy in fact laid the foundations for the chronic instability which characterizes the Middle East today. While many now assume that the Middle East has always been violent, this talk will explore the European ideological and diplomatic roots of many of the last century’s conflicts in the Middle East, including the Armenian Genocide, the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, and the Syrian Civil War.

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