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**POLAND SINCE 1989:**

**A CRITICAL APPRAISAL**

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Poland has experienced both accomplishments and disappointments since the fall of communism 20 years ago. Although the country has a vibrant democracy and an increasingly prominent position within the EU, a range of problems (economic inequality, extremist politics, gender discrimination, and more) have darkened the horizon. Our panelists will consider the mixed record of post-1989 Poland, and outline a new agenda for the 21st century.

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