A HOLIDAY FOR ALL?
ON CELEBRATIONS, COLLECTIVES, & ISRAELI IDENTITY

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Is there an Israeli holiday, one that can be shared by all? If not, why not? This talk will analyze the Israeli official calendar in light of both the importance of holidays in general for modern societies and the importance of national holidays in particular. Since its beginning, the national Israeli calendar has gone through several changes as new holidays were added over time. In this talk, Vered Vinitzky-Seroussi will analyze these changes and offer a view of Israel through that lens, considering the notion of the current Israeli collective and potential shared spaces and identity for all Israeli citizens.

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