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Whatever Happened to the Arab Spring?



Just a few years back, waves of uprising swept the Arab world. What did those uprisings achieve, if anything? Should we--and do participants--see them as a disappointment and failure? Or is there something that remains to cherish and cultivate? In this talk, I review the paradoxical experiences of the Arab uprisings of 2011 and articulate what I propose is a logic governing post-revolution developments in general, and in Arab societies in particular.