



"Wars against Children"

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Summary:

The founder of Save the Children, Eglantyne Jebb, said in the aftermath of the First World War that "All wars are wars against children." In this lecture, Dr Emily Mayhew will look at the history and future of children growing up in conflict and post-conflict zones. She explores the unique and enduring vulnerabilities of children, from the continuing gaps in global paediatric trauma provision and research, the growing threat of antimicrobial resistance, and the challenges of survival and life beyond survival in the aftermath of catastrophe.

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