

5th Annual Polis Journalism Conference at the LSE welcomes Alan Rusbridger, Editor of the Guardian

On Friday, March 28th Polis, the LSE's journalism and society think tank, will welcome Alan Rusbridger, Editor of the Guardian, Cathy Newman, Channel 4 Presenter, Ian Katz, Editor of Newsnight, and Tom Giles, Editor of BBC Panorama in a conference on Transparency and Accountability in journalism.

The conference will cover issues including whether the publication of Snowden's leaks was justified and how far journalists should go in order to cover a story. A panel of professionals and educators will discuss the future of transparency journalism and what to teach future journalists. In another session, European journalists will examine the best ways of holding the European Union to account.

There will also be workshops on the art of the interview, reducing the costs of investigative journalism, improving the use of social media in the newsroom, and making elections more transparent. Tech start-ups with tools geared towards journalism will present their platforms in two showcase sessions.

Other speakers include Krishnan Guru Murthy and Michael Crick of Channel 4 News, Laurie Penny of the New Statesman, Steve Hewlett of the BBC Media Show as well as journalists from the Wall Street Journal, The Times, BuzzFeed, Private Eye, The Bureau of Investigative Journalism, Al Jazeera, The Economist and the Sunday Times.

Finally, Polis Research Fellow Fatima El-Issawi will launch her new report on post-transition Egyptian Media, titled *'Egyptian Media Under Transition: In the name of the regime... In the name of the people?'*, which can be accessed online [here](#).

The conference is taking place on the LSE Campus, in the New Academic Building, from 8.30-16.45, and will be followed by free networking drinks.

A full schedule of the conference is available here: <http://blogs.lse.ac.uk/polis/conference/>

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