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**Alan Rusbridger, editor of the Guardian to receive  
Goldsmith Career Award for Excellence in Journalism**

CAMBRIDGE, MA – Alan Rusbridger, editor of the British-based *Guardian* newspaper, will address an audience of students, faculty, journalists and members of the public on Tuesday, March 6 at the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University. The program begins at 6 p.m. in the John F. Kennedy Jr. Forum, 79 JFK Street, Cambridge, and is sponsored by the Joan Shorenstein Center on the Press, Politics and Public Policy.

Rusbridger will receive the Goldsmith Career Award for Excellence in Journalism in recognition of his leadership in the *Guardian's* five-year investigation and exposure of phone hacking by employees of Rupert Murdoch's News Corp. He also led the *Guardian's* negotiations with Julian Assange and subsequent publication of WikiLeaks documents. Rusbridger has been instrumental in the *Guardian's* "digital-first" business strategy.

Alan Rusbridger has been editor of the *Guardian* since 1995. He is editor-in-chief of Guardian News & Media, a member of the GNM and GMG Boards and a member of the Scott Trust, which owns the *Guardian* and the *Observer*.

Rusbridger's career began at the *Cambridge Evening News*, where he trained as a reporter before first joining the *Guardian* in 1979. He worked as a general reporter, feature writer and diary columnist before leaving to succeed Clive James and Julian Barnes as the *Observer's* TV critic. In 1987, he worked as the Washington correspondent for the *London Daily News* before returning to the *Guardian* as a feature writer. He was made deputy editor in 1994, when he first started working on the paper's initial forays into digital publishing.

One of the top 10 global news sites, it has regularly been voted the best newspaper website in the world. The *Guardian* won the Newspaper of the Year Award at the 2011 Press Awards, which are given in Britain by the Society of Editors. *Campaign* magazine named the *Guardian* as Medium of the Year, 2011.

Past recipients of the Goldsmith Career Award include Frank Rich, Seymour Hersh, Christiane Amanpour, Peter Jennings, Gwen Ifill, David Fanning and Daniel Schorr. The Goldsmith Awards also include a major prize for investigative reporting and two book prizes.

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