



Eurozine News Item

Index on Censorship wins Amnesty award



Eurozine partner *Index on Censorship* has won the prize for best periodical in the 17th Amnesty International UK Media Awards. The prize was given for a series of articles from the recent issue "[How Free is the Russian Media?](#)".

Presenting the award to *Index* editor Jo Glanville, *Private Eye* editor Ian Hislop said that the articles, by Fatima Tlisova, Sergei Bachinin and Alexei Simonov, represented "brave, impassioned journalism as stunning defences of principle".

"Crime without punishment": Alexei Simonov, director of the Glasnost Defense Foundation, [tells](#) how journalists' lives are of little value in Russia, where deaths go uninvestigated and murderers are rarely brought to account.

"Nothing personal": Journalist Fatima Tlisova was brutally beaten for her uncompromising journalism on the North Caucasus. Here she [recounts](#) the tactics used to intimidate her.

"Under pressure": Sergei Bachinin, editor of *Vyatsky Nablyudatel'*, [describes](#) how the regional press in Russia has to fight to maintain its independence.

Also in the issue: Maria Eismont [writes](#) that just as Russia's economic growth has obviated talk of democracy, the media's financial successes leave no place for ethical debate.

Read Eurozine's [review](#) of the issue.

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