

# Arguments for statutory underpinning of regulation

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[Channel 4 News reports](#) on the Irish regulatory system which includes a statutory element

Former Channel 5 News editor and ex-City University Prof Adrian Monck [reaches back into the archive for this piece](#) he wrote in 2004 that compares broadcast and paper regulation to argue that good journalism should not fear close regulation.

An illustrative example by Thais Portilho-Shrimpton, a former co-ordinator of press reform group Hacked Off and now a director at Justice Across Borders, of what [a statutory press regulation system](#) could look like and operate in practice.

Hacked Off unveils [Ten Myths About Press Abuse](#) to highlight the failure of press self regulation as a rationale for the state's involvement.

42 Tories call for [statutory participation](#) in what should come out of the Leveson inquiry as a response to recent press excesses. The letter signed by MPs voices concerns over the ability of the self regulatory model "to create a genuinely independent system".

Former journalist [Will Hutton comes out for 'regulation' of the press](#) to include a statutory element, despite misgivings.

Brian Cathcart, from Kingston University writes in the 2012 *The phone hacking scandal: journalism on trial*, "[The press, the Leveson inquiry and the Hacked Off campaign.](#)"

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