## Your favourite political blog – vote now at lain Dale's TotalPolitics

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Like all successful media chaps, lain Dale is now often criticised as a careerist hack. But what's wrong with some enterprising ambition?

lain has not lost faith with the Internet, despite his shift into magazine publishing. Totalpolitics is not a rip-roaring read but as a trade magazine for political apparatchiks it might survive.

I am glad that he is continuing his annual political blog awards because he knows the territory. He may be biased to the Conservatives but he has a feel for what works and certainly understands the medium.

I am very interested in how the political blogs might change when (OK, if) the Conservatives win the next election. I have written here about the potential for a shift in the Online political landscape. So it will be fun to compare lain's list in a couple of year's time.

Go here to register your vote.

For what it's worth here's my random list culled off the top of my head. Iain's competition is for UK pol blogs only in which case:

Opendemocracy.net Guido Fawkes Jeremy Hunt Tom Watson Stumbling and Mumbling Theos blog (regentsparklabour) Normblog Benedict Brogan Liberal Conspiracy Conservativehome

If I could add in foreign ones I might include:

Cedric Kalonji (Congoblog) Huffington Post Realclearpolitics The next right (US)

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