Kamal Ahmed  
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Kamal joined the BBC in April 2014 as Business Editor from the Telegraph Media Group where he was Executive Business Editor with responsibility for The Sunday Telegraph’s business coverage. He was also the editorial lead for the Telegraph’s annual Festival of Business.

Between 2007 and 2009 Kamal was Group Director, Communications, at the Equality and Human Rights Commission, the regulator charged with upholding and enforcing equality and human rights legislation in Britain.

Before joining the Commission in 2007, Kamal was Executive Editor, News, at The Observer with responsibility for the news section of the paper. He was a member of the team that developed and re-launched The Observer as a mid-size full colour Sunday, a development that won Newspaper of the Year at the British Press Awards in 2005, the highest award for any newspaper.

Between 2000 and 2004 Kamal was Political Editor of The Observer, covering Tony Blair’s government. Between 1996 and 2000, Kamal worked for The Guardian, starting on the paper as Royal Correspondent, later becoming Media Correspondent and then Media Editor.

Kamal started his career in Scotland where he worked for Scotland on Sunday, The Scotsman’s sister title where he rose to become chief reporter and deputy news editor.

He graduated from Leeds University, where he studied politics, in 1990. He lives in London with his wife, the author and journalist, Elizabeth Day.