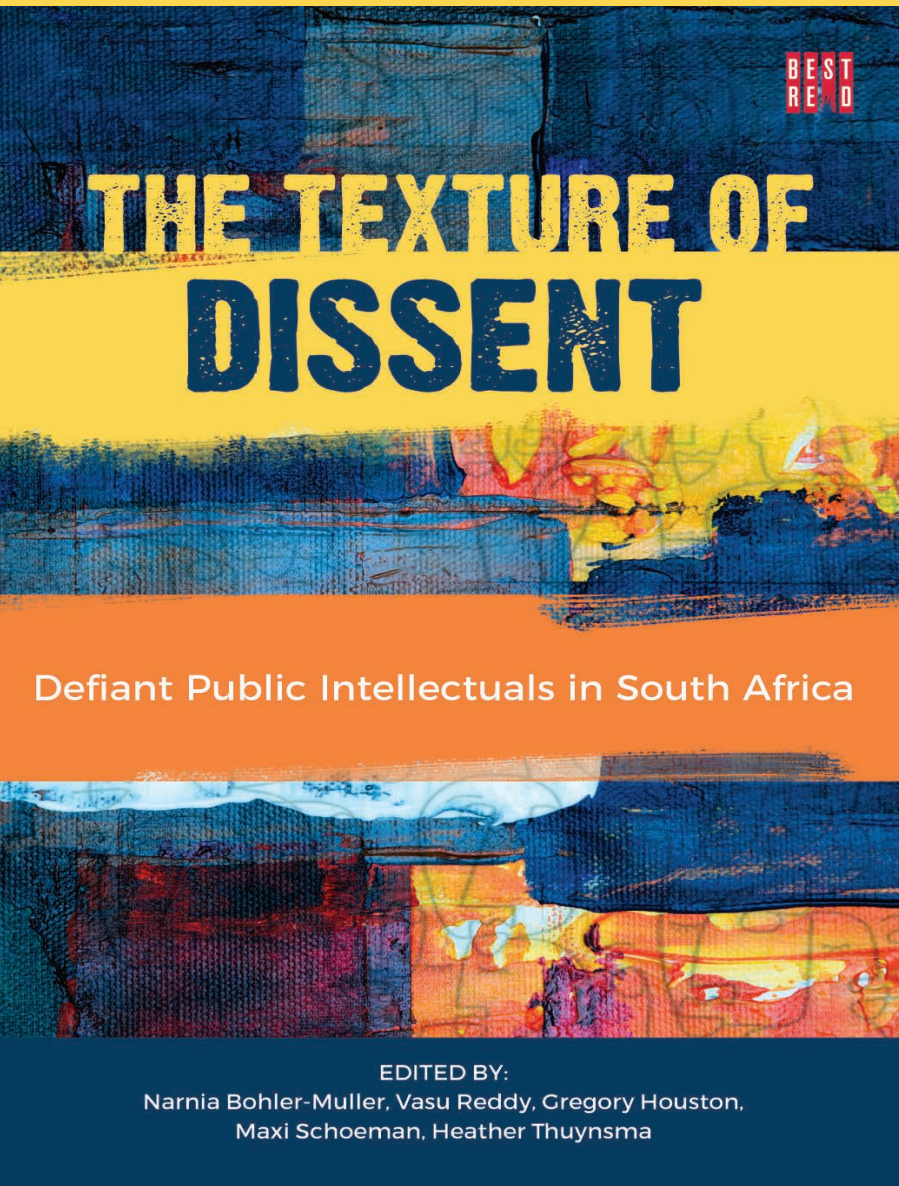


# BOOK LAUNCH

23 MARCH 2023 | 17H00 – 19H00 | THE AUDITORIUM,  
JAVETT-UP ARTS CENTRE AT THE UNIVERSITY OF PRETORIA  
(23 LYNNWOOD RD, ELANDSPOORT 357-JR, PRETORIA)



The HSRC in partnership with the University of Pretoria will be launching a volume co-edited by Narnia Bohler-Muller, Vasu Reddy, Gregory Houston, Heather Thuynsma and Maxi Schoeman entitled *The Texture of Dissent: Defiant Public Intellectuals in South Africa* on 23 March 2023. This is the second volume in a series in which researchers from the HSRC and academics from the University collaborate as contributors to a volume edited jointly by researchers and academics from the two institutions. The first volume, *The Fabric of Defiance: Public Intellectuals in South Africa*, was released in 2020. Both volumes feature a number of short vignettes on South African public intellectuals. The Texture of Dissent assembles an eccentric and eclectic compilation of perspectives that build on the Fabric of Dissent as we take these stories and others as snapshots of how a vast array of public intellectuals – political, academic, cultural and organic – have shaped our history and the spaces we inhabit now, at the dawn of thirty years of democracy.

This book is conceptualised as a scholarly text that we believe will also have popular appeal because it addresses topical issues. Given the interdisciplinary focus of the book, such a text will appeal to scholars from a range of disciplines, including Sociology, Political Sciences, Economics, Religion and Theology, Philosophy, Historical Studies, Anthropology, Literary and Cultural Studies, Communication, Media and Journalism Studies, African Studies, Gender Studies and Comparative Studies.

To launch *The Texture of Dissent: Defiant Public Intellectuals in South Africa*, the editors have opted for an in-person approach where we will cluster the participants and keynote speakers as well as the members of a panel. The idea is to bring a large group of people together to help market the book and promote the HSRC brand.