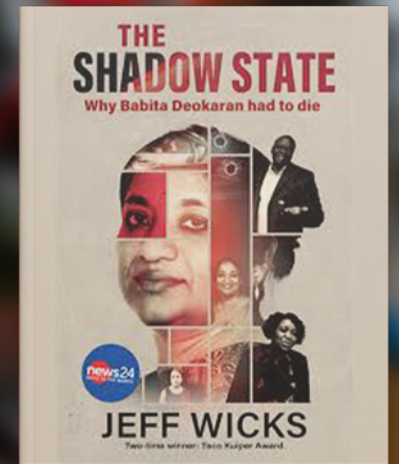
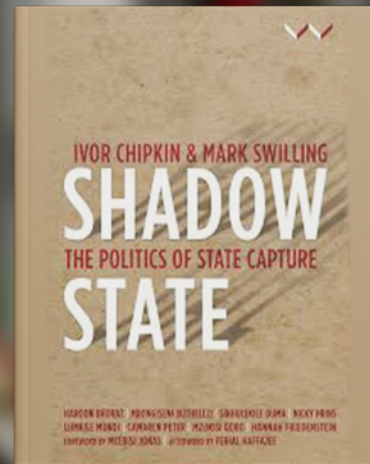


# INVITATION

## Unpacking the Shadow State: A book talk on state capture and accountability



The New South Institute (NSI) invites you to a book talk and public discussion on corruption and reform, tracing how patterns of state capture emerged, what sustains them, and what is required to rebuild ethical and accountable public institutions.

The discussion will draw on two influential works that interrogate the formation of a “shadow state,” tracing how networks of patronage, violence, and informal power have reshaped South Africa’s institutions and undermined public accountability. It will also explore the personal and professional risks faced by those who expose wrongdoing, and how South Africa can better protect and support whistleblowers.

### SPEAKERS:



**Ivor Chipkin**  
Author, *Shadow State: The Politics of State Capture*, and Director, New South Institute



**Jeff Wicks**  
Author, *The Shadow State: Why Babita Deokaran Had to Die*, and Investigative Journalist, News24

### DISCUSSANTS:



**Adv. Andy Mothibi**  
Head: Special Investigating Unit (SIU)



**Martha Ngoye**  
PRASA Whistleblower and NSI Board Member

**DATE:** Wednesday, 05 November 2025  
**TIME:** 9:30 am for 10:00 am  
**VENUE:** GIBS Rooftop, Gordon Institute of Business Science,  
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