Transforming Research Methods in the Social Sciences
Case studies from South Africa

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... an innovative, fascinating and unique book ... The editors should be commended for their conceptualisation in bringing together this diversity of views; the contributors have written excellent, state-of-the-art chapters. It is a fine book and I recommend it highly!
— Desmond Painter, Department of Psychology, Stellenbosch University

... important and interesting research that contains a broad range of chapters on qualitative and quantitative research designs in the global South ... an excellent resource for researchers.
— Mary van der Riet, Psychology, School of Applied Human Sciences, University of KwaZulu-Natal

Social science researchers in the global South, and in South Africa particularly, utilise research methods in innovative ways in order to respond to contexts characterised by diversity, racial and political tensions, socioeconomic disparities and gender inequalities. These methods often remain undocumented – a gap that this book starts to address. Written by experts from various methodological fields, Transforming Research Methods in the Social Sciences is a comprehensive collation of original essays and cutting-edge research that demonstrates the variety of novel techniques and research methods available to researchers responding to these context-bound issues. It is particularly relevant for study and research in the fields of applied psychology, sociology, ethnography, biography and anthropology. In addition to their unique combination of conceptual and application issues, the chapters include discussions on ethical considerations relevant to the method in similar global South contexts. Transforming Research Methods in the Social Sciences has much to offer to researchers, professionals and others involved in social science research both locally and internationally.

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