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Helmut Weissert is professor at the Department of Earth Sciences, ETH Zürich (retired November 2014). His research focus is on earth and climate history, on paleoceanography and the evolution of the global carbon cycle through geological time as well as on mass-extinctions in earth history. He is an expert in Alpine Geology. For excellence in teaching at ETH he received the “Golden Owl-Award” in 2005 and 2014. For his research, he was awarded the Jean-Baptiste Lamarck Medal from the European Geosciences Union in 2013 and the Capellini Medal of the Italian Geological Society in 2018. He was elected “Distinguished Lecturer” of European Consortium of Ocean Drilling in 2011 and of the International Association of Sedimentologists in 2014-2015. Helmut Weissert was Vice-President of the Swiss Academy of Sciences until 2016. At the Academy of Sciences, he currently chairs the Commission on International Research Networks. Helmut Weissert has been a member of the Council of the European Union of Geosciences (EGU) until spring 2019 and he was president of the Division “Sedimentology, Stratigraphy, Paleontology” (SSP) of EGU until spring 2019. Helmut Weissert is member of numerous advisory committees of Universities and national and international Geoscience Organizations. Helmut Weissert has been active in several commissions of the International Commission on Stratigraphy (ICS).