

Biosketch of Peter Bärtsch



Professor emeritus at the University of Heidelberg; born in St.Gallen, Switzerland, Medical School in Zürich, promotion and habilitation (PhD equivalent) at the Inselspital Bern, Switzerland; head of the Division of Sports Medicine at the Department of Internal Medicine of the University Clinic Heidelberg from 1991 to 2103; director of the German Diploma Courses in Mountain Medicine; principal investigator in research on prevention, treatment and pathophysiology of acute high altitude illnesses at the Capanna Regina Margherita since 1984; mountaineering in the Alps, Andes and Himalayas; president of the International Society of Mountain Medicine (ISMM) 1997-2000; head of the scientific council of the German Society of Sports Medicine and Prevention (DGSP) from 2000 – 2011; corresponding member of the Swiss Academy of Medical Sciences; received King Albert Mountain Award 2012 for outstanding contributions in the world of mountains.