

# Max-Albert Knus

## Personal Details

Born April 14, 1942 in Peseux, Switzerland  
Swiss citizen; married; two children born 1972, 1977

## Education

1948-1955 Primary school in Peseux  
1955-1960 High school in Neuchâtel  
1960-1964 ETH, Zürich, Studies in mathematics  
Diploma, Project supervisor: Professor B. Eckmann  
1964-1966 ETH, Zürich, PhD studies  
Thesis: Sur une classe d'algèbres filtrées  
Advisor: Professor B. Eckmann

## Professional Experience

1964-1966 Assistant at the Research Institute for Mathematics,  
ETH (Director Prof. B. Eckmann)  
Academic year 1966/67 Battelle Fellow at the Research Institute for Mathematics, ETH  
Academic year 1967/68 Research Associate, Brandeis University, Mass., USA  
(Swiss National Science Foundation Fellowship)  
Academic year 1968/69 Research Associate, University of Geneva, Switzerland  
1969-1972 Assistant Professor, ETH, Zürich  
1972-1979 Associate Professor, ETH, Zürich  
1979-2007 Professor, ETH, Zürich  
1984 Co-organizer of a workshop on Brauer Groups, Oberwolfach  
1989-1991 Head of the Departement of Mathematics, ETH, Zürich  
1991 Co-organizer of a workshop on algebraic groups, Ascona  
1992-1994 Member of the organizing committee of the International Congress  
of Mathematicians 1994  
1995-2001 Prorector for doctoral studies, ETH, Zürich  
1997-2004 Member of the Research Council of the Swiss National Science  
Foundation  
2000-2010 Chair, Foundation for the Encouragement of the  
Mathematical Sciences in Switzerland  
2000-2002 Delegate for Studies, Department of Mathematics, ETH, Zürich  
2002-2004 Head of Studies, Department of Mathematics and Physics, ETH, Zürich  
2007 Co-organizer of a workshop on algebraic groups, Ascona  
2011- Ombudsman, ETH, Zürich

## Editing Activities

1983-1987 Editor, *Elemente der Mathematik*, Birkhäuser  
1985-1990 Editor, *Communications in Algebra*, Dekker  
1993-2005 Editor, *Beiträge zur Algebra und Geometrie*, Heldermann Verlag,  
1997-2009 Editor, *Grundlehren der Mathematischen Wissenschaften*, Springer

Main research interests: Theory of algebras and theory of quadratic forms, in relation with algebraic groups.