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Dr. Peter Richners area of expertise includes energy-efficient buildings and the knowledge and technology transfer for the building sector. He studied chemistry at ETH Zurich and then completed his doctorate. After a postdoc in the USA, he set up a new research group at EMPA in the field of ultratrace analysis, later headed the Corrosion and Surface Protection department and was Head of the Department of Engineering Sciences from 2002 to 2025. He was also Deputy Director from 2012 to 2025. In addition, he is active in various national and international committees. He led the Swiss Competence Centers in Energy Research «Future Energy Efficient Buildings & Districts», founded in 2014, in Phase I from 2014-2016 and is the initiator of the NEST project. His research interests are the decarbonisation of the built environment and the promotion of technology transfer.