## **Thomas Bissig**

Thomas graduated in 1997 from the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology (ETH) with a diploma in Earth Sciences. After working for Barrick Chile Ltda in the El Indio Belt in 1997-1998, he carried out his PhD research at Queen's University, Kingston, on the metallogeny of the El Indio belt. He graduated in 2001 after which he took a position as post-doctoral fellow at MDRU at the University of British Columbia where he worked on Central Peru and in the Guerrero Terrane of Mexico. Thomas was a Professor at the Universidad Católica del Norte in Antofagasta Chile from 2004 to the end of 2007, after which he returned to MDRU as a Research Associate. In March 2017 he joined Goldcorp Inc., now Newmont Goldcorp as Director Geochemistry, currently providing subject matter expertise to exploration teams across North America. Thomas has been involved in research topics ranging from regional metallogeny and magma fertility to landscape evolution and exploration geochemistry. He is author on more than 30 peerreviewed publications and numerous published reports and conference abstracts. His main interest in being part of the AAG council is to support mentoring of young professionals and keep the communication between industry and academia open.