

Klaus Wimmers

Klaus Wimmers completed his studies in veterinary science at the Freie Universität Berlin in 1989 and received his PhD from the Humboldt Universität of Berlin in 1994. In 1996, he moved as a postdoc to the Rheinische Friedrich-Wilhelms Universität of Bonn, where he habilitated and received the Venia Legend for Animal Breeding and Biotechnology in 2002. In 2004, he joined the Leibniz Institute for Farm Animal Biology (FBN Dummerstorf) as head of the Institute for Genome Biology. Since 2016, he has been director of the FBN and professor of animal

breeding and farm animal husbandry at the University of Rostock. His main interest is the physiological, genetic, and epigenetic principles of the expression and differentiation of traits in the context of animal welfare and resource efficiency in farm animals. Wimmers has been attending ISAG conferences since 1994 and was a member and chair of the ISAG Comparative and Functional Genomics Committee. He is the current chair of the Avian Genetic and Genomics Committee and associate editor of *Animal Genetics*.