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Kelly is often tapped by media outlets to share his leadership and knowledge around Industry 4.0 and is regularly invited to speak at conferences and participate in panel discussions and roundtables. He has served on the Canadian National Research Council's Peer Review Committee and is a current member of the World Economic Forum's Advanced Manufacturing Hub Working Group, the National Research Committee's Peer Review Committee, and is a board member of the Michigan Manufacturing Technology Center and the Jackson Area Manufacturers Association.

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