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* “You’re Not in Kansas Anymore! The Strange Physical World of Industrial Ethernet” presentation *BiCSI Conf.*
* “The Internet of Industrial Things” presentation at the *IEEE/ACM Conference*
* “How to Future Proof your Career in IoT Era” presentation at the *IoT Emerge Conference*
* “The Future of Production” article in the *Industrial Machinery Digest*
* “Bridging the Industry 4.0 Innovation Gap” articlein *Quality Digest*
* “Industry 4.0 and the Rebirth of American Manufacturing” Keynote Presentation *Nevada Economic Conference*
* “Disruptive Changes from Robotics Driving the IIoT” presentation at Canadian Manufacturing Technology
* “Industry 4.0 Manufacturing and Training” Keynote presentation at the Réseau Innovation 4.0 Network
* “Process Analytical Technology”, Organizer and Keynote speaker for the ISA
* “Redefining White-Collar Jobs in America”, article in ACTE Technologies magazine
* “Wireless Network Technologies and Security”, presentation at the California Water Environment Association
* “Smart Grid Communications” white paper at IEEE Innovation Smart Grid Conference
* How 5G will impact manufacturing work, quoted in Cisco’s Technology newsletter
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