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**Banquet, Keynote Address: The Making of the American Competitiveness Initiative: How Societal Needs and Science Got Together and What it Means for You**

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