

The Subcommittee on Commerce, Manufacturing, and Trade

Wednesday, September 14, 2016 at 10:30 a.m.

Disruptor Series: Advanced Robotics

Written Statement of Dean Kamen's Proposed Testimony

- I will describe the history of the non-profit I founded named *FIRST* (For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology). I will also describe its mission and how it has evolved over the past 25+ years.
- *FIRST* is directly related to the “pipeline of talent” for robotics technology. I will explain how *FIRST* and its corporate sponsors are helping to fill that pipeline.
- *FIRST* uses robotics as a vehicle to introduce students to all the basic disciplines of science, technology, engineering and math and to give students an appreciation of these principles and tools.