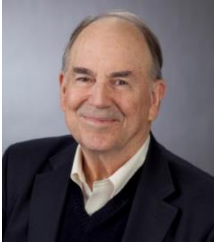


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John Abele is a pioneer and leader in the field of less-invasive medicine. For more than four decades, John has devoted himself to innovation in health care, business and solving social problems. He is the retired Founding Chairman of Boston Scientific Corporation. John holds numerous patents and has published and lectured extensively on the technology of various medical devices and on the technical, social, economic, and political trends and issues affecting healthcare.

His major interests are science literacy for children, education, and the process by which new technology is invented, developed, and introduced to society. One of John’s passions is his work with FIRST Robotics, an international program which works with high school kids to make being science-literate cool and fun. Additionally, the development of The Kingbridge Conference Centre and Institute, a conferencing institution whose mission is to research, develop, and teach improved methods for interactive conferencing, problem solving, conflict resolution, strategic planning, new methods for learning and generally help groups to become “collectively intelligent,” is an important part of his work. He lives with his wife and dog in Shelburne, Vermont.