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John Seely Brown has been the Independent Co-chairman of the Deloitte Center for the Edge since 2006. The organization helps senior executives understand and profit from emerging opportunities. He is also a Visiting Scholar and Advisor to the Provost at the University of Southern California.

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Brown has published in popular magazines such as *Business Week* and *Wired*. He has also published papers in scientific, business and professional journals and has co-authored several books including *The Social Life of Information*, which has been translated into nine languages. His new book, *The Power of Pull*, was released on April 13. Brown holds several patents and was inducted into the Industry Hall of Fame in 2004. Established in 1997, Industry Hall of Fame alumni include Bill Gates, Steve Jobs, Michael Dell and Steve Wozniak.

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