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## The Tier0 road to LHC Data Taking

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CERN, as other sites, has been preparing computing services for the arrival of LHC data for some time—more than 11 years if everything started at the First LHC Computing Workshop, held in Padova in June 1996. With LHC data taking now just around the corner, this presentation takes a look back at preparations at CERN and considers some of the key choices made along the way. Which were prescient? Which will we live to regret? And, most importantly, are we ready?

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