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The objective of the CLIC Test Facility CTF3 is to demonstrate the feasibility issues of the CLIC two-beam technology by 2010. The combiner ring and the connecting transfer line have been put into operation in 2007, and the remaining parts, namely decelerating section, probe beam linac and test beam line in 2008. In this talk we give the status of the commissioning, including the first results of the combination tests. We report on operation and infrastructure issues and resources. We present our plans for the future, exploring the possibility to run during the winter period 2009-2010, which will certainly add flexibility in order to reach all targets needed for the preparation of the CLIC Conceptual Design Report by the end of 2010. Finally, we discuss possibilities for the CTF3 beyond 2010.

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