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Message from the Guest Editors

Recent experimental results, particularly those of the LHC, have completely transformed the status of particle physics and form the basis of future research directions. Believing that the Higgs boson discovery has completed our understanding of particle physics is too simplistic. On the contrary, much remains to be understood. In fact, a new era, in which we have direct experimental information regarding the physics behind the breaking of electroweak (EW) symmetry, recently begun. This breaking plays a fundamental role in our understanding of particle physics and sits at the high-energy frontier, beyond which we expect to explore uncharted territories that raise deep conceptual concerns theoretically.

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