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Interactive comment on "The June 2013 flood in the Upper Danube basin, and comparisons with the 2002, 1954 and 1899 floods" by G. Blöschl et al.

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This paper presents an analysis of the June 2013 floods in the upper Danube and comparisons with historical floods in this part of the river basin.

The paper is well structured, very comprehensive and provides also a good discussion/lessons learnt section. I have enjoyed reading it and I only have one minor comment: I would appreciate if the authors would reduce the amount of citations where they are co-authors (especially in section 7) as I believe that there are many other excellent papers that underline the points made in section 7. For example, concerning early warning systems and uncertainties the paper of Cloke and Pappenberger (Ensemble flood forecasting: A review, JoH) should be cited.

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Other than that I would like to congratulate the authors for this excellent work. Thus, I recommend acceptance of the paper, subject to minor revisions.

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