

***Interactive comment on “HESS Opinions
“Ensembles, uncertainty and flood prediction”” by
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While essentially proceedings of a workshop, this manuscript has been submitted for publication to a peer-reviewed scientific journal. The scope and aim of the paper are modest: “to point at a few key issues, and encourage debate about the most important future directions for research”. While I believe that these objectives have been reached, the question is whether or not this manuscript constitutes a scientific paper. In my opinion, it doesn’t. For that, its scope should be extended as to constitute a review paper of publications in ensemble methods. In its current form, it is perfectly acceptable for publication as proceedings of a workshop. In accordance with the “EGU Position Statement on the Status of Discussion Papers Published in EGU Interactive Open Access

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Journals”, I recommend that it should remain a Discussion Paper in HESSD rather than be peer-reviewed and submitted for publication in HESS.

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