



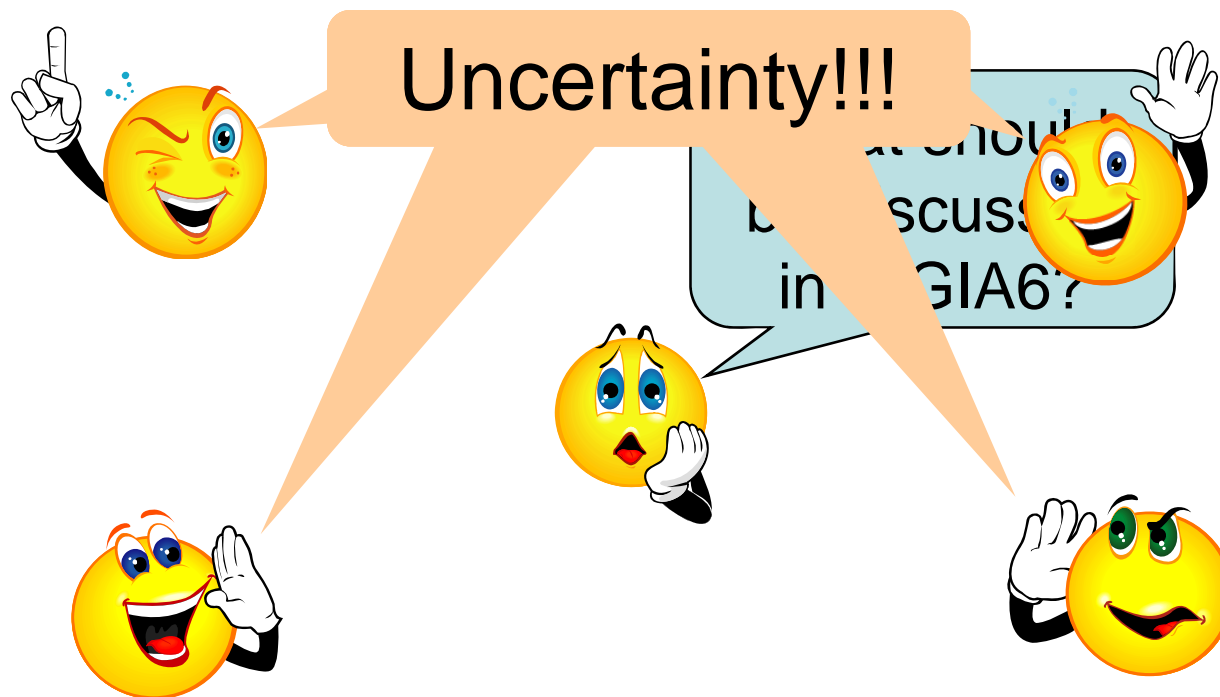
# **Session II: Uncertainty Assessment Guidance**

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# Long-awaited topic, but...

- Apparently, many WGIA colleagues have been so keen on “uncertainty assessment” being taken up in WGIA.



# Long-awaited topic, but...

- Not very clear:



However...



# Why? For what purposes?

- Non-Annex I Parties are encouraged to provide information on the level of uncertainty associated with inventory data.
  - **Not required!!**
- Why do you consider uncertainty information so important? For what purposes?
  - To develop adaptation & mitigation strategies?
    - How can these purposes be met in practice?
  - To prioritize data/categories to be improved?
    - Why don't you do key category analysis (Tier 1) first?
- Better to use resources for other purposes?



# How to do it? How useful?

- “Lack of activity data/country-specific EFs“  
= common problems in developing countries
- How can you quantify uncertainties?
  - Rely heavily on default uncertainty values as well as expert judgement?
  - **Uncertainty assessment itself may be highly uncertain!!**
- How useful is such uncertainty assessment?  
Does it really meet your purposes?
- Better to use resources for data collection?



# What to do with the results?

- When you complete the uncertainty assessment, what should be the next step?
  - Uncertainty assessment itself is not the goal.
  - What steps do you need to take to achieve your ultimate goals?
- If you do not have any clear ideas on what to do with the results, uncertainty assessment will be little use ...
- Better to use resources for other purposes?



Presentations are going to be made by:

- IPCC, on methodological guidance
- India, on the country's experience
- Korea, on the country's experience

Let's discuss and consider together:

- Why we should do uncertainty assessment;
- How we can do it;
- What we should do with the results; and
- How we can cooperate within the WGIA framework?

**Now, let's start this session!!**

