The IUIS is an organisation that brings together immunologist from all over the world. Currently, I'm honored to chair the Dutch Society for Immunology and to be connected to the worldwide network of immunologist of the IUIS.

In my opinion, the dissemination of in-depth knowledge of immunology to the developing countries is one of the main opportunities for IUIS. Furthermore, giving young scientists the change to visit conferences like the IUIS International Congresses of Immunology are of utmost importance to train the next generation for their important task to advance the field of immunology.

Lastly, the awareness of the general public that the immune system is one of the major underlying causes of many diseases is crucial for the appreciation of the importance of immunology. Bringing together basic and clinical scientists from all over the world to share their knowledge and experience in immunology in order to improve health.