What have we achieved? 2020-2021

Four special COVID-19-surveys (since April 2020)

Two Barometer reports “The State of the European Consulting Engineering Sector” (autumn 2020 and spring 2021)

Strengthened the Task Group with new members and developed the Barometer reports with different EFCA indexes
SPRING 2021
Conclusions

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**SPRING 2021 Challenges**

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The European Commission has just published a new European Economic Forecast. The main points in the Spring 2021 forecast are:

- The EU economy will grow by 4.2% in 2021 and 4.4% in 2022
- The euro area and EU economies are expected to reach their pre-crisis levels of output earlier than anticipated in the Winter 2021 Economic Forecast
- The forecast projects that inflation in the euro area is set to increase from 0.7% in 2020 to 1.9% in 2021, before moderating slightly to 1.5% in 2022.
- RRF and RRP has a total impact of 1.2% of GDP – but growth is driven by private consumption, investment projects and stronger global growth
- But, the recovery of service exports is expected to take longer...
The EFCA Industry Barometer Task Force is dedicated to develop state of the art market insights into the engineering consultancy industry in Europe, based on the best available knowledge. The aspiration towards 2022 is to develop and improve the insights for companies, Associations and European policy makers and legislators.

- Develop the Barometer report and the insights for companies...
- Conduct a workshop to identify new knowledge and insights that we can extract from existing datasets...
- Be part of the European Sector Review Project
- ... while keeping up the quality of the existing report format
- ... Because, when we can track developments over long periods of time, we can create more value.