Expecting the unexpected

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Business 'as usual'? No, but **surprisingly little negative impact** of Covid-19 pandemic on external quality assurance. Also some **positive effects**.

Main reasons:

- digital maturity and technical infrastructure in place, both at HEIs and UKÄ
- common understanding between UKÄ and HEIs (+ other stakeholders)

UKÄ:

- A few years' experience of online interviews
- First online ENQA agency review (2020)
- Government assignment 2020-2022
- Challenges: 'home office', adjusting processes, zoom fatigue...



Experts (Institutional reviews,14 respondents, Feb 2021)

Digital meetings of experts:



• Digital site visits:





HEI coordinators (Institutional reviews, 6 HEIs, Feb 2021,)

Digital site visits:



Supporting HEI quality enhancement:



So what should we expect?

– The unexpected!

