



### January 2022

#### B2B Economic Outlook - UK

“2021 has demonstrated a rapid recovery from the record fall in GDP in 2020 – in sharp contrast to the elongated flat recovery following the last recession. However, the huge uncertainties surrounding the outbreak of Omicron now dominate expectations for the economy. While the government clearly remains resistant to another ...

#### Estate Agents - UK

“The estate agents market was supported by the stamp duty holiday, which drove a boom in market activity in 2020 and into 2021. This helped offset losses seen in 2020 due to the closure of the housing market, and later cautiousness due to uncertainty over the pandemic. Future growth may ...

### December 2021

#### Manned Security - UK

“The manned security sector has been broadly insulated from the impact of COVID-19 thanks to a shift in demand, from more traditional activity in retail, leisure and hospitality towards logistics and helping secure COVID-19 test centres and unoccupied properties. This has accelerated the uptake of remote monitoring, in conjunction with ...

#### Food and Drink Packaging - UK

“COVID-19 has accelerated key trends impacting the food and drink packaging market that were already underway prior to the crisis, most notably the increased focus on sustainability and growth in online grocery retail. Packaging companies need to help customers respond to these growing trends, by working with them more collaboratively ...

### November 2021

#### Logistical Services - UK

“The lifting of lockdown restrictions has helped restore activity in the logistical services sector. However, the rapid rise in demand from reopening has outstripped the sector’s supply, as COVID-driven issues create an international shortage of shipping containers as well as a shortage of HGV drivers. Brexit has led to new ...

#### Facilities Management - UK

“The UK has a well-developed facilities management industry that has constantly evolved to offer an ever-increasing array of services. Technology is being increasingly used to differentiate services, reduce costs and gain greater client loyalty. While COVID-19 has temporarily challenged some aspects of the market it has given rise to other ...