

Reporting Unit: UK & Ireland Section
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Key Achievements & member services in 2020

- **Industry: Global award, Industrial placements**
- **Future directions (Special Interest Groups: SIGs)**
 - Block chain, FNI, Cybersecurity
- **Humanitarian:**
 - Autistic children project- Lockdown impact
 - IHTC2021 (<https://www.ihtc21.org.uk/>)
- **IEEE Region 8 [report](#) (Nov'20-Mar'21)**
- **Awards: Industry engagement, YP R8, R8 large Section Award**

Current plan of activities

- **Section meeting page** to avail reports and minutes
- **Section Volunteer Recognition programme** – First round
- Impact of **Brexit** on section & IEEE Europe
- **Humanitarian:** Support for Women empowering /STEM
- **Covid-19:** Support section activities **online & survey form**
- **Diversity & inclusion** function
- **Funding allocation to enrich and progress on section strategies and members benefits**

Focus areas (2020-2021)

2020-2021 Goals	2020 KPIs met?	2021 Goals	Challenges to reach KPIs/ Resources
Industry engagement	Roadmap for PA registration	Career development	Pandemic related challenges/ Professional activity
Future directions	2-3 group launch/ activity roadmap	2-4 technical events in collaboration with chapters	New collaboration form/ Chapter chair coordinator
Humanitarian projects	2-3 SIGHT proposals/ IHTC 2021	2-3 SIGHT proposals	SIGHT resources focused on IHTC'21 in 2020/ SIGHT proposal focus switched to COVID related calls/ Section to provide seed to prepared proposals