## <u>EU prefers its UK forecast of growth</u> to its EU one

The Spring 2021 official EU forecasts show the EU growing at 4.2% in 2021 and 4.4% in 2022, compared to their UK forecast of 5% in 2021 and 5.3% in 2022. Yet when they put the detailed forecasts for each member state and for the EU as a whole in an appendix you open up the EU one and discover they have used the numbers from the UK forecast instead. Not surprising they prefer the UK forecast, even though their version still looks a bit low.