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## EFESME remembers EP President David Sassoli

It is with sadness that EFESME, its staff and members join the feeling of grief that has struck the European Union and all its citizens for the sudden loss of the President of the European Parliament, Mr. David Maria Sassoli.

On the occasion of the funeral ceremony in honour of President Sassoli, EFESME wishes to remember him and the work carried out during his mandate, which coincided with the terrible period of the pandemic that still affects Europe and the world.

At such a tragic time, President Sassoli was one of the figures who most urged for a cohesive and strong Europe, able to face the Covid-19 challenge not only from a medical point of view, but also from a socio-economic one in support of the Union.

And the post-Covid scenario was in the thoughts of President Sassoli, who hoped for a Europe that is present and close to citizens and businesses to achieve the best results and a strong recovery. Concepts that underpinned his long and successful career in the European Parliament, first as an MEP and then as its President, and which should be carried forward by his successor within a virtuous path of recovery.

With his passing, the European Union and all its citizens lose a leader and a champion, but his work will always remain as an example for the future.