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## EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT PRESIDENT DAVID SASSOLI DIED AT 65 IN ITALY

### BIG LOSS OF AN ITALIAN SOCIAL DEMOCRAT

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« HE WILL BE REMEMBERED A STRONG PARTNER OF US-EU PARTNERSHIP, A VOICE FOR DEMOCRACY »

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The US Department issued a statement over the passing of David Sassoli « We send our deepest condolences to the people of the European Union on the passing of European Parliament President David Sassoli. President Sassoli will be remembered as a strong supporter of the U.S.-EU partnership, a voice for democracy and human rights globally, and an advocate for a European Union that serves its citizens and is made stronger by its diversity. Our thoughts are with his family and loved ones. ». EU flags in Brussels have been lowered to fly at half-mast in his memory. Hundreds of MEP's gathered on the steps of the building in Brussels for a minute's silence to remember him, followed by a round of applause.

EUROPEAN UNION LEADERS REGRET THE DEATH OF DAVID SASSOLI "A TERRIBLE LOSS"-----

The President of the European Council, the Belgian Charles Michel, expressed the great lack that the disappearance of David Sassoli, the President of the European Parliament, will create. "Sincere and passionate European, we already miss his human warmth, his generosity, his friendliness and his smile," said Charles Michel. As for Ursula Von Der Lyen, President of the European Commission, she expressed her sadness, and qualified the death of her European colleague, David Sassoli, a terrible loss which she described as a Great European: "I am extremely saddened by this loss. terrible of a great European and proud Italian, attentive journalist, extraordinary President of the Parliament and above all a dear friend ", said Ursula von der Leyen.-----

French President Macron (who chairs since 1st January 2022, the EUFP), has meanwhile, expressed his condolences »Our union loses an Italian patriot, a great European and an indefatigable humanist, He was ont only the President of European Parliament but a friend ». The French Secretary of State for European Affairs, Clement Beaune, for his part hailed "a fighter for Europe, a sincere and courageous defender of democracy and the values ??of our Union". In recent hours, many Internet users, including several political figures in Italy, had shown their support for David Sassoli on social networks, using the hashtag #ForzaDavid ("Courage, David"), in unison with messages of support from heads of European institutions and MEPs.

**EMMANUEL MACRON PAID A TRIBUTE OT DAVID SASSOLI « HE WAS MORE THAN EP PRESIDENT HE WAS A FRIEND »-----**

The Presidents of the French Republic, Emmanuel Macron and the President of the European Council, Charles Michel, who meet today at the Elysee Palace, Paris to prepare the priorities of the recent French Presidency of the Council of the European Union (PFEU) ( since January 1, 2022), have both expressed their condolences, before starting their discussions with the press. President Macron, who was the first to speak immediately, expresses his tribute to David Sassoli, President regrets of the European Parliament: During the last hours of David Sassoli, the loser Sassoli was not only a president of the European Parliament but a friend, with whom we were still at the beginning of the month of December, in Strasbourg and I will say our great sadness, to have learned of his disappearance and mean here, all our condolences to his friends, his family, to the Italian people and to all MEPs.-----

Charles Michel, President of the European Council, continued with a tribute also supported to David Sassoli, when he spoke: I wish to join in the tribute you have expressed to the President of the European Parliament , David Sassoli, I would like to send my condolences to his family, to his porches. david Sassoli, is a European rand, passionate, sincere, generous and authentic. And we have had the opportunity lately to work a lot with him, on a daily basis to carry his European values, these values ??of democracy, in a State of Law, he is a man who has contributed with competence and intelligence and elegance to freeze at the head of the European Parliament, important decisions in cooperation with the European Council.

**IN FRANCE THE ENTIRE CLASS OF POLITICS SOMEWHAT THE EDGE MAKES A STRONG TRIBUTE QUALIFYING DAVID SASSOLI OF INTEGRAL, GENEROUS HUMANIST AND WARM "-----**

In France, from politicians of left and right and even far left and far right, have been unanimous in paying a strong tribute to David Sassoli. Thus, Prime Minister Jean Castex hailed on Twitter the memory of a "great European, a humanist, a warm man, of integrity and deeply attached to the values of our Union". Even the extremists of the Right, such as Jordan Bardella, the president of the National Assembly and MEP, described David Sassoli as "a man of dialogue, respectful of the opposition", while Jean Luc Melenchon of the extreme left of La France rebellious. described him as "an open and cordial man". RIPOS IN PACE.

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