Received UFO/UAP Reports for the Month of October 2026

The following overview contains **33 reports** of UFOs/UAP received by the GEP from Germany, Austria and Switzerland, as well as from the German-speaking public for other countries.

At the time this overview was compiled, the reported cases may not yet have been fully investigated or concluded.

Key figures at a glance – October 2026	
Total reports	**33 (previous month: 49)**
of which events in the reporting month	**14**
past sightings (oldest event 1985)	**15**
without a date	**4**
Observations daytime / night	**12 / 13**
Classifications	**NL 17, DD 12, CE I 3**
Processing status	**open 19, completed 14**
Reporting channels	**Questionnaire 13, E-mail 9, Facebook 5, Phone call 3, Contact form 3**
Reports with image material	**14**

<u>Below is our brief overview of the contents of the UFO/UAP reports.</u>

00000000 EZ
00.00.0000, night, 48149 Münster (NL)

Summary:
In summer 1988 or 1989, a witness who was then 15 or 16 years old observed, at night at the Aasee in Münster together with numerous other people present, two or three very large, warm-white, round lights. They moved to the right from the direction of the Antoniuskirche in a triangular formation, stopped for several minutes and, after further movement, suddenly disappeared as if switched off. The silent appearance seemed to act as one coherent unit; a friend of the witness later confirmed that she, too, had independently seen it.

Reported via: Phone call, 16.10.2026
Processing status: open
Identification:

00000000 FE
00.00.0000, night, 3863 Reingers, Austria (NL)

Summary:
The witness, then about 24 years old, observed in the late 1990s during a night-time car journey an unusually large, cigar- or zeppelin-shaped object with lights on its sides, which she at first took for an aircraft. According to her description, it moved at low altitude towards the village, hovered briefly, apparently motionless, in the area of the church and then climbed almost vertically at very high speed until it could no longer be seen. The object was silent; according to a later timing, the entire observation lasted about two minutes, whereas she had initially estimated five to seven minutes. The witness describes the perception as frightening and disconcerting and also reports a memory gap in connection with the event.

Reported via: Facebook, 26.10.2026
Processing status: open
Identification:

00000000 FF
00.00.0000, 50321 Brühl (DD)

Summary:
The witness reports several undated observations of the sky in the area of the Nord-Südweg in Brühl. Among other things, he saw a triangular-looking flying object that first remained in one place for about two minutes and then flew away. During a further observation, a presumed police helicopter illuminated with a searchlight an object that appeared disc-shaped and metallically reflective. At the rear, blue-glowing area of the object he perceived repeated flashing. He also has video recordings of further light objects, in which he claims to have observed rapid movements, stops and changes of direction. The recordings are partly of low quality and have not yet been submitted for examination. Unfortunately, a more detailed investigation was not possible because our follow-up questions went unanswered.

Reported via: E-mail, 11.10.2026
Processing status: completed
Identification: Insufficient data

19850928 A
28.09.1985, 23:10, 63454 Hanau (NL)

Summary:
The witness observed two slow-flying, light-emitting objects in the direction of the Schlossgarten/Main. Both objects then came to a stop roughly above the Main. Through binoculars the witness perceived a bell- or chalice-like shape with a white-lit underside about 5–8 m in size. After about five minutes, one of the objects first flew away in a large arc and then accelerated sharply into the night sky. The second object followed a little later in a similar manner.

Reported via: Questionnaire, 04.10.2026
Processing status: completed
Identification: Sky lantern(s)

20001118 A
18.11.2000, 20:20, 89129 Langenau (A7) (NL)

Summary:
Four family members observed, during a car journey on the A7, over a prolonged period a formation of about eight to twelve yellowish-orange points of light, in part shimmering bluish. These mostly formed a ring with approximately constant spacing, rotated, stopped at times and repeatedly changed their formation; individual points of light seemed to split temporarily into several lights. According to the witnesses, the silent formation moved relative to the vehicle and the landscape, seemed to approach at times and repeatedly disappeared behind hills before finally moving away.

Reported via: Questionnaire, 24.10.2026
Processing status: completed
Identification: Light effect device(s) (reflections of light beams and effects)

20120000 J
00.00.2012, 37441 Bad Sachsa (CE I)

Summary:
The witness, 44 years old at the time, observed in autumn 2012 while driving first two large, orange, pulsating, partly transparent spheres, which passed him at windscreen height and then climbed at increasing speed and disappeared between houses. After returning home he noticed a large, dark, curved-triangular object with three white lights, which approached silently, hovered directly above him and then flew slowly over him.

Reported via: Questionnaire, 14.10.2026
Processing status: open
Identification:

20171013 A
13.10.2017, 17:30, 5233 Stilli, Switzerland (DD)

Summary:
The witness, together with three other witnesses, observed between Würenlingen and Brugg a predominantly black object which, according to the witnesses, appeared larger than a military helicopter. White, steam-like plumes were visible in its front, round area. The object first moved slowly and silently before suddenly disappearing to the left at high speed.

Reported via: Contact form, 13.10.2026
Processing status: completed
Identification: Insufficient data

20240000 C
00.00.2024, 27570 Bremerhaven - Geestemünde (DD)

Summary:
In autumn 2024, while driving on the B6, the witness observed a spherical flying object. According to his perception it moved in a straight line and at a steady speed from the south towards the north, passing over his vehicle at a short distance. The witness described the object as copper-brown, metallically shiny and composed of several smooth-surfaced elements separated from one another by edges. He had not been able to make out any visible propulsion devices or wings. By his estimate, the observation lasted about ten seconds or slightly longer.

Reported via: Contact form, 28.10.2026
Processing status: open
Identification:

20240618 B
18.06.2024, 23:34, 4303 Kaiseraugst, Switzerland (NL)



Summary:
The 26-year-old witness observed and filmed a light phenomenon in the partly cloudy sky which, in her perception, moved forwards and sideways at high speed and made abrupt changes of direction. She perceived no sounds. The witness, who by her own account is familiar with drones and their flight behaviour, found the observed movements unusual.

Reported via: E-mail, 23.10.2026
Processing status: completed
Identification: Light effect device(s) (reflections of light beams and effects)

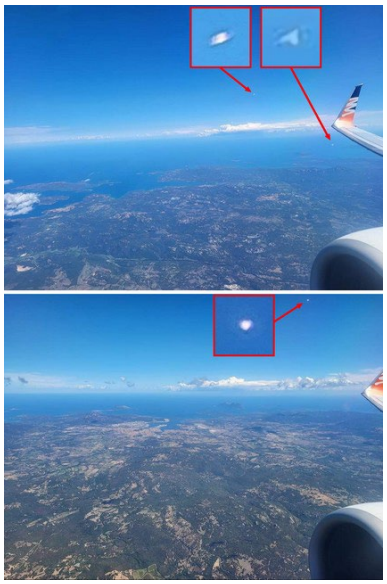
20240800 A
00.08.2024, 00:00, 8121 Deutschfeistritz, Austria (CE I)

Summary:
The witness, then 61 years old, observed from her bedroom a clearly delineated, bright whitish sphere which moved silently past the window horizontally within about five to six seconds. In her estimation the object was high above the mountains and was then no longer visible. A video montage intended to illustrate the experience was produced afterwards.

Reported via: Questionnaire, 08.10.2026
Processing status: open
Identification:

20240914 A
14.09.2024, 13:01, 07020 Telti (airspace above), Italy (DD)

Summary:
During a passenger flight, the reporter was looking at the landscape with her mobile phone when she suddenly noticed a bright flash of light. She then took two photographs, on which, on later viewing, she believed she could make out bright “objects”, which she attributed to an exotic cause. According to her, the flash of light was also noticed by other passengers.



Reported via: Contact form, 10.10.2026
Processing status: open
Identification:

20260619 B
19.06.2026, 00:50, 65462 Ginsheim-Gustavsburg (CE I)

Summary:
The witness was lying in her caravan at night when she heard a very loud, unusual noise. On looking out she noticed a large object that appeared both angular and round, whose colours changed. She ruled out a helicopter and a drone as explanations and made a video recording. When she additionally shone an ordinary torch at the object, she heard a loud bang, whereupon the object disappeared very quickly within about two seconds.

Reported via: Questionnaire, 19.10.2026
Processing status: open
Identification:

20260812 F
12.08.2026, 19:07, 24326 Dörnick (DD)

Summary:
During the partial solar eclipse, the 54-year-old witness observed and filmed a spherical, metallically reflective object that appeared stationary in the western to north-western sky. According to the witness, clouds drifted past behind the object while it largely maintained its position for several minutes.

Reported via: E-mail, 07.10.2026
Processing status: completed
Identification: Balloon(s) (weather balloon(s) / ? - favoured suggested explanation)



20260814 A
14.08.2026, evening, 39030 Kiens, Italy (DD)

Summary:
The witness observed and filmed an object in the sky which, according to him, came from the east and disappeared at the horizon.

Reported via: Facebook, 07.10.2026
Processing status: completed
Identification: Aircraft



20260823 A
23.08.2026, 15:53, 39116 Magdeburg - Ottersleben (DD)

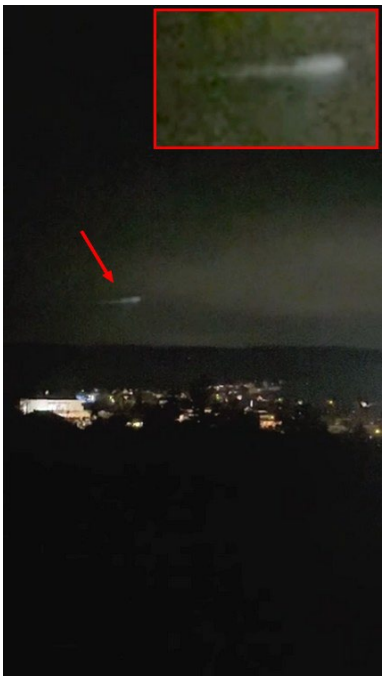
Summary:
The 51-year-old reporter photographed an unusual cloud structure. On later viewing of the picture she discovered on it a saucer-shaped object with an apparent dome. On a photograph taken seven seconds later the object was no longer visible. From this the reporter concluded that it must have moved away very quickly.



Reported via: Questionnaire, 26.10.2026
Processing status: completed
Identification: Bird(s)

20260910 A
10.09.2026, evening, 97753 Karlstadt (NL)

Summary:
The witness observed and filmed over a prolonged period a moving, recurring light phenomenon in the sky.



Reported via: E-mail, 07.10.2026
Processing status: completed
Identification: Light effect device(s) (reflections of light beams and effects)

20260926 C
26.09.2026, 19:00, 66507 Reifenberg (NL)

Summary:
The witness, together with other people, observed between about 19:00 and 21:00 several white luminous balls of light, which partly moved in a coordinated manner, circled one another, changed their formation and at times arranged themselves into triangles. Individual lights seemed to split or suddenly disappear. After about six to ten minutes the lights moved in the direction of a nearby airfield and disappeared at the horizon. A few minutes later, two large, presumably military aircraft are said to have circled the village.

Reported via: E-mail, 27.10.2026
Processing status: open
Identification:

20260930 A
30.09.2026, 22:30, 69181 Leimen (NL)

Summary:
Under a clear starry sky to the west, the witness observed a pure white, inverted V (∧) made of two thin lines of light. The apparently stationary light phenomenon shortened within about six to seven seconds simultaneously from both sides towards the apex until it went out completely.

Reported via: Facebook, 09.10.2026
Processing status: open
Identification:

20261002 A
02.10.2026, 23:20, 59065 Hamm (NL)

Summary:
For about four seconds, the 33-year-old witness observed a silent, V-shaped formation of an estimated eight to nine objects crossing the night sky from a southerly direction. The appearance was described as very large, unusually fast and grey or slightly transparent. According to the witness's perception, the formation drifted slightly to the left and right.

Reported via: Questionnaire, 03.10.2026
Processing status: open
Identification:

20261003 A
03.10.2026, 22:23, 42281 Wuppertal - Barmen (NL)

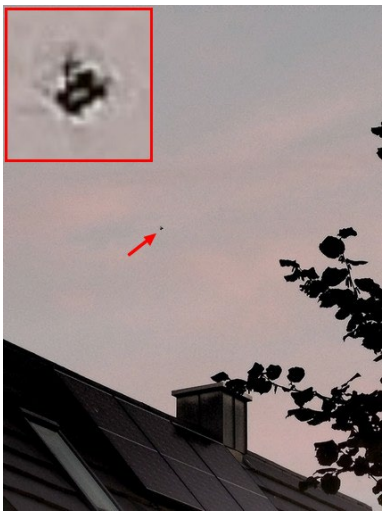
Summary:
The witness observed and filmed a flickering light in a westerly direction, which according to her was first seen to the left of the roof of a neighbouring house. It then moved to the right behind the roof and afterwards took up a position to the right of the roof. About six minutes later the witness changed windows but could no longer find the light.



Reported via: E-mail, 03.10.2026
Processing status: open
Identification:

20261006 A
06.10.2026, 18:53, 86609 Donauwörth (DD)

Summary:
The witness observed and filmed a tumbling object in the sky which, according to him, flew in a south-westerly direction and was hidden by houses after about 6 minutes.



Reported via: Facebook, 06.10.2026
Processing status: completed
Identification: Balloon(s) (foil balloon(s))

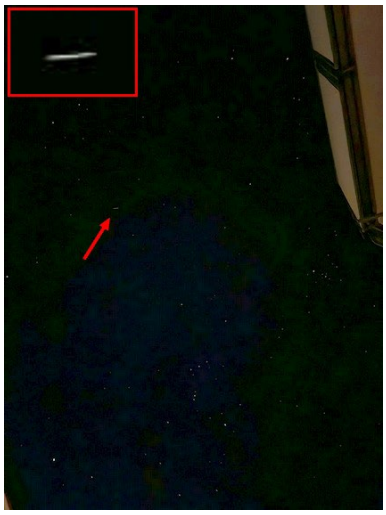
20261006 B
06.10.2026, 21:00, 86672 Thierhaupten (NL)



Summary:
The 53-year-old witness observed and photographed a brightly luminous streak moving across the southern sky at an aircraft-like speed.

Reported via: Questionnaire, 06.10.2026
Processing status: open
Identification:

20261007 A
07.10.2026, 06:17, 59609 Anröchte (NL)



Summary:
The reporter photographed the starry sky with a Samsung Galaxy A56. On later reviewing the picture she noticed a streak-shaped object in the left part of the image.

Reported via: Facebook, 13.10.2026
Processing status: completed
Identification: Satellite(s)

20261009 A
09.10.2026, 21:58, 67112 Mutterstadt (NL)



Summary:
The witness reported an observation while driving on the A65. Several lights with rapid changes of direction were seen all around the sky. In the video submitted to us for assessment, bright orange flashes of light can also be seen.

Reported via: Questionnaire, 10.10.2026
Processing status: completed
Identification: Light effect device(s) (reflections of light beams and effects)

20261016 A
16.10.2026, 08:02, 31137 Hildesheim - Ost (DD)

Summary:
Together with her husband, the witness observed for about three minutes a very bright white, elongated, tic-tac-shaped object that moved from south to north under a blue sky at a steady, aircraft-like speed. They estimated the altitude at about 5,000 metres. Because, in their perception, the object had no wings, they found it unusual. Both made smartphone recordings independently of one another before the object passed out of view.



Reported via: Questionnaire, 17.10.2026
Processing status: completed
Identification: Aircraft

20261022 A
22.10.2026, 06:40, 44805 Bochum - Nord (NL)

Summary:
From his balcony under a clear sky, the 39-year-old witness observed two elongated, shiny, mirror-like objects which flew one after the other, at intervals of about three to five seconds, silently and apparently at very high speed in a straight line from west to east. The objects appeared partly transparent and, according to the witness, showed neither wings nor any discernible propulsion components or exhaust effects.

Reported via: E-mail, 22.10.2026
Processing status: open
Identification:

20261024 A
24.10.2026, 17:30, 22391 Hamburg - Wellingsbüttel (DD)

Summary:
The witness, together with a colleague, observed numerous white, steadily glowing points of light in the sky. Within about ten minutes they counted an estimated 30 to 40 points, which moved predominantly in a north-north-easterly direction, in part one behind the other or on parallel paths. Individual points of light are said to have changed direction abruptly or to have overtaken others. The appearances were repeatedly visible until at least 20:00, when increasing cloud ended the observation.

Reported via: Phone call, 26.10.2026
Processing status: open
Identification:

20261025 A
25.10.2026, 15:10, 04178 Leipzig - Böhlitz-Ehrenberg (DD)

Summary:
Together with another person, the witness observed several triangular-shaped flying objects, which at first flew past near the balcony and shortly afterwards were seen from another window at a greater distance. On the first sighting three fireballs were described, of which the middle one glowed particularly bright and red, while the other two appeared smaller and less bright. The objects looked grey and shiny and, according to the witnesses, flew completely silently at very high speed. Their shape was described as a mixture of the tail of a fighter jet and a drone, but without discernible wings.



Reported via: Questionnaire, 25.10.2026
Processing status: open
Identification:

20261025 B
25.10.2026, 20:15, 36355 Grebenhain (NL)

Summary:
Under a cloudless sky, the witness observed a small, steadily white-glowing point of light which, in his perception, first moved quickly and then more slowly, performing circular as well as abrupt triangular flight patterns. By his estimate the observation lasted about half an hour. He had already made a similar observation with circular movements on 22.10.2026 at around 21:00; an aircraft could also be seen nearby.

Reported via: Phone call, 25.10.2026
Processing status: open
Identification:

20261027 A
27.10.2026, 20:05, 31141 Hildesheim - Marienburger Höhe (NL)

Summary:
The reporter took a test photograph of the moon and the passing clouds. On the photograph, taken in a north-easterly direction, she noticed on subsequent viewing a conspicuous appearance in the area of an aircraft contrail.



Reported via: E-mail, 31.10.2026
Processing status: completed
Identification: Lens reflection (lens flare)

20261028 A
28.10.2026, 16:30, 35578 Wetzlar (DD)

Summary:
Under a clear sky, the witness observed for about three to five minutes a metallic-looking flying object which at first appeared rectangular but later more V-shaped. The object hovered at times, rotated irregularly about its own axis and then moved on slowly and completely silently until it gradually moved away. Red lights were discernible on the object; the witness could not determine the direction of flight.

Reported via: E-mail, 28.10.2026
Processing status: open
Identification:

20261031 A
31.10.2026, 20:30, 19370 Parchim (NL)

Summary:
“The witness observed at the edge of a park a bright red to orange, self-luminous point of light in the sky, which moved from a northerly direction towards the south. The light did not flash and seemed to her somewhat larger than an aircraft. The observation lasted just under a minute.”

Reported via: Questionnaire, 31.10.2026
Processing status: open
Identification:

S0121
00.00.0000, 39116 Magdeburg - Ottersleben

Summary:
The 51-year-old witness reports several unusual perceptions in her home environment. These include a phenomenon that was not visible and which, according to her description, moved as a shadow about two metres in size over her head, causing a rhythmic sound reminiscent of wing beats without producing any perceptible draught. On another occasion she perceived in front of her front door a very thin, deep-black, three-dimensional-looking figure over two metres tall, which moved around the corner of a house and then disappeared. She also describes recurring, briefly occurring visual appearances, including supposed insects as well as shadow movements, to which no discernible external cause could be assigned. As a possible trigger for these altered perceptions she names an aurora event in January 2026.

Reported via: Questionnaire, 26.10.2026
Processing status: open
Identification:

The processing statuses shown reflect the situation at the end of the month. Cases marked “still under investigation” had not been conclusively assessed at that point. Subsequent changes to the processing status are not reflected in this overview.

Some case investigations are published by the GEP in its own *Journal für UFO-Forschung* publication. For further analysis, all master data as well as current processing statuses of the reported cases are available on the open-science platform Zenodo: *Zenodo (DOI: 10.5281/zenodo.10547072)*.

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Notes on this overview

Case number: The case number consists of the event date in the form YYYYMMDD followed by a letter indicating the order of the reports received for that event time (A = first report, B = second report, C = third report, etc.). Zeros stand for unknown components of the date. Case numbers with a leading “S” denote special cases without a date reference.

Processing status: Indicates the state of the investigation at the end of the reporting month. The note “still under investigation” means that the review had not been completed at that point.

Identification: States the result of the investigation, provided it has been completed. If the field remains empty, a final assessment is still pending.

Classification: NL (Nocturnal Light) = nocturnal light phenomenon, DD (Daylight Disc) = daytime sighting of an object, RV (Radar-Visual) = sighting with simultaneous radar detection, CE I–III (Close Encounter) = close encounter at short range, with a physical trace or with the perception of beings.