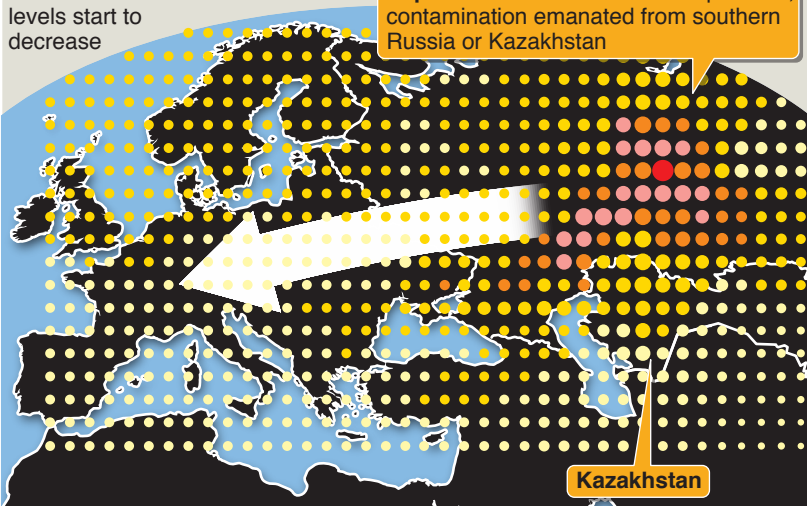


# Mystery radioactive cloud over Europe

Monitoring stations measured elevated levels of ruthenium 106 drifting across Europe between September 29 and October 6. Levels of the radionuclide have now fallen, and pollution is no longer detected

**October 6:** Ruthenium levels start to decrease

**September:** Based on weather patterns, contamination emanated from southern Russia or Kazakhstan



**Radiation levels:** Highest concentration measured in Germany was substantially lower than that absorbed by natural ambient radiation

Lowest

Highest