MID-AIR COLLISION DURING GERMAN AIR SHOW LEAVES 2 DEAD

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Two people have been killed after two airplanes crashed head-on during an airshow in Grossrückerswalde in the eastern state of Saxony in Germany.

The incident happened on Saturday afternoon during Flugplatzfest 2016.

Police in Chemnitz confirmed that after colliding, the glider crashed to the ground, killing its two occupants, while the ultralight aircraft was able to land at a nearby airport, according to Sueddeutsche Zeitung.

It's understood one of the deceased is a 54-year-old man while the second is a woman believed to have been his daughter, reported Bild.

While the cause of the crash is not yet known, police and air traffic control have launched an investigation.

The incident comes only a day after another plane caught fire in the region, with the pilot having to make an emergency landing in a field.

The 40-year-old escaped without any injuries.

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