

## Observer report for Swiss Mah-Jong Open 2015 (MCR, MERS 2)

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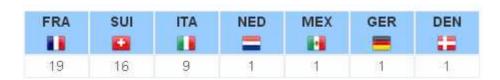
Date: October 3<sup>rd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup>

Place: La Tour-de-Peilz

Website or other source(s) of information: All information on the website of the Swiss Mah-

Jong Federation: registration, program, list of participants, list of hotels ...

Participants: 48 players from 7 countries (including one player from Mexico)



Playing schedule: 2 days, 7 rounds (4+3) of 120 minutes

**Location:** The "Musée Suisse du jeu" is a very beautiful place in a medieval castle near the Geneva Lake. The room was large enough to host 48 players.

**Equipment:** We played with 12 identical games and tables.

**Refereeing:** Luc Humbert was non-player referee.

Complaints: None.

## Information / communication during the tournament:

Visible clock projected from a computer on a screen. A whistle clearly informs players of the start and the end of sessions. Ranking up to date between each session, projected on a screen.

**Sessions:** Excellent playing atmosphere, FFF (Fair-play, Friendly and Fun).

**Catering**: Lunch in the same place. Very good Chinese food but some players would have like to have a bit more to eat. Coffee, tea, drinks, cakes and Swiss chocolates were available between the rounds.

**Prizes:** Gift baskets with Swiss products for the 10 best players. Also "Swiss style" trophies for the 3 best players.

**Conclusion:** Very nice tournament in Switzerland in a very pleasant place. The organizers made many efforts to help participants to program their trip to La Tour-de-Peilz (convenient information, facilities for payment...). A great place for playing Mah-Jong!