



**Observer report for German Riichi Open 2016 (RCR, MERS 2)**

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**Date:** August 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> 2016

**Place:** Hanover, Germany

**Website or other source(s) of information:** All information on the website of the Deutsche Mah-Jongg Liga : [www.dmjl.de](http://www.dmjl.de)

**Participants:** 44 players

**Represented countries:**

GER: 25 FRA: 2 AUT: 1 GBR: 1 NLD: 13 IRL: 1 SVK: 1

**Playing schedule:** 2 days, 9 hanchan

**Location:** The Jazz club; Am Lindener Berge 38, 30449 Hanover

**Equipment:** We played with good riichi sets. Riichi mats were placed on the mahjong tables

**Refereeing:** Dagmar Fischer

**Complaints:** None.

**Information / communication during the tournament:**

Visible clock projected from a computer on 2 screens. A gong clearly informed players of the start and the end of sessions. Ranking up to date between each session, printed and posted on walls.

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

**Catering:** Lunch in the same place (sandwiches), drinks and others.

**Prizes:** Trophies for individual ranking (1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>)

**Conclusion:** Although the tournament had a false start because of last moment cancellations, it was a very nice and well organised tournament.