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## **Observer report for The Spanish Open Mahjong Championship 2016 (MCR, MERS 2)**

**Observer:** Ad van der Linden

**Date:** December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2016

**Place:** Puzol, Spain

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**Website or other source(s) of information:** All information on the Facebook site of The Three Dragons: registration, program, list of participants,...

**Participants:** 52 players

**Represented countries:** Spain, Belgium, Sweden, Russia, Italy, Belgium, Switzerland, France, Germany, The Netherlands, Portugal

**Playing schedule:** 2 day, 6 rounds of 120 minutes

**Location:** Excellent playing room in Puzol

**Equipment:** We used well equipped materials (tables, tiles etc).

**Refereeing:** Marco Montabelli was the playing referee

**Complaints:** None.

### **Information / communication during the tournament:**

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

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

**Catering:** Breakfast included and a very nice lunch & diner in a restaurant close by, drinks, cakes, sweets and others.

**Prizes:** Trophies for individual ranking (1st, 2nd and 3<sup>rd</sup>), team price, highest hand and the Iberian Cup

**Conclusion:** Very nice tournament in Puzol. Well organized, friendly and competitive. A recommendation for European players in 2017.