

Observer report for Austrian Open 2019 (MCR, MERS 3)

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Date : September 21 st – 22 nd 2019

Place : Podersdorf am See, Austria

Website : All information on the website of Mahjong Austria : Registration, venue, program, list of participants...

Players : 48

Represented countries : 9 (Austria, China, France, Germany, Hungary, Italy, Netherlands, Poland and Switzerland)

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

Location : Conference room of SeeHerlinde Hotel. Large enough to host 12 tables and leave enough space between them.

Informations during the tournament : A gong clearly informs players of the beginning and the end of sessions. A visible clock projected from a computer on a screen during the 2 hours of each session.

Ranking updated between each session, projected from a computer on a screen and posted on Facebook.

Refereeing : Norbert Tschinkel was non-player referee, Joel Ratzimandresy, who played, was the second referee.

Complaints : None.

Sessions : Excellent playing atmosphere , Fair play !

Catering : Lunch in the restaurant of the Hotel, drinks, fruit and cakes between the sessions. Bottles of water.

Prizes : Trophies for individual ranking (1st, 2nd and 3rd), small trophies for the highest and lowest score of each session. (14 in total !).

A trophy for the winner of the Sissy Cup and trophies for the 3 best Austrian players.

Conclusion : Nice tournament in a pleasant place, very well organised.