



Observer report for 19th Austrian Open Mah Jong Open 2025 (MCR, MERS 2)

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Date: April 18th – 19th 2026

Place: Straßburg, Austria

Website or other source(s) of information: All information on the website of Mahjong Club Baden: registration, program, list of participants.

Participants: 32 players

Represented Countries: Austria 14, Italy 12, Hungary 4, Slovakia 1, Poland 1

Playing schedule: 2 days, 7 rounds of 115 minutes, the last hand finished to the end.

Location: The Gasthof Restaurant Fleischerei SEISER room is large enough to host 32 players and leave enough space between them.

Equipment: We played with identical games and tables.

Refereeing: 2 playing referee: Martin Scheichenbauer and Marco Montebelli

Complaints: None.

Information / communication during the tournament:

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

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

Catering: Lunch in the same place Austrian food. Every player have chosen from a list of available plates. On Saturday evening typical Carinthian Snack with a large choice of sliced, cheese and bread. Generous portions and excellent food.

Prizes: Baskets with typical local cured meats for the top three of individual. Also a prize for the best and the worst of each games and for Observer and Referees.
Trophie for the winner of the Gourmet Cup (Gemona MCR 2026 and Straßburg MCR 2026) and prize for the 2nd and 3rd.

Conclusion: Very nice tournament in Straßburg, with good weather and peaceful place.