



Observer report for French MCR Championship 2015 (MCR, MERS 2)

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Date: Februari 28 – March 1 2015

Place: Cannes, France

Website or other source(s) of information: All information on the website of Free Dragons, registration, program, list of participants etc.

Just before start of the tournament last information through email. The last information was sent only in French and not all participants have received the last information

Participants: 96 players

Represented countries :

France	– 42
Italy	- 19
Germany	– 9
Spain	– 7
The Netherlands	– 4
Austria	– 4
Swiss	– 3
Russia	– 3
Portugal	– 2
Japan	– 1
Denmark	– 1
Canada	- 1

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

Location: Two playing rooms at Palais the Festival (Cannes) are large enough to host 96 players and leave enough space between them.

Equipment: We played with good games and tables

Refereeing: Sven-Hendrik Gutsche (Fr), Nadine König (Ger) and Jesper Nøhr (Dk) were non-player referees.

Complaints: Not really a complaint, but I heard from different participants that in the first four rounds it was the same four teams playing each other in different combinations. That was observed from table 1-4.

Information / communication during the tournament:

Not all the information before, during and after the tournament were given in French and English. Visible clock projected from a computer on a screen in both playing rooms. A gong clearly informs players of the start and the end of sessions. During sessions volunteers calculated the scores on iPad, so that after the playing session the results were very quick visible on a screen.

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

Catering: Lunches were outside the venue, Saturday in a Chinese restaurant and Sunday in a very nice local restaurant.

Between session there were drinks, sweets and pretzels.

Prizes: Nice prizes for individual ranking (1st, 2nd and 3rd) and for each member of the best team.

Conclusion: It was a well organized tournament with a very friendly atmosphere.