



## Observer report for (RCR, MERS 2) Maruichi Taikai

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**Date:** 21-22 Nov 2015

**Place:** Warsaw, Poland

**Website or other source(s) of information:** All information on the website of Polish League of Mahjong; registration, program, list of participants etc.

**Participants:** 28 players

### Represented countries

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**Playing schedule:** 2 days, 6 rounds (3+3) of 90 minutes.

**Location:** The Asia and Pacific Museum. Ample room between tables. Lighting was good.

**Equipment:** Standard Riichi tiles & Junk/edged rubber mats; comfortable tables & chairs.

**Refereeing:** Szymon Lasota, Dominik Kolenda, Krzysztof Sasinowski (all playing)

**Complaints:** None.

### Information / communication during the tournament:

Time remaining projected via computer onto a large screen. Clear announcements made to signify the start and conclusion of each hanchan. Ranking projected onto screen after each hanchan.

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

**Catering:** Water and chocs provided for each player on both days. Set menu lunch served in a nearby restaurant on first day. Social evening at a nearby fusion restaurant/pub after 1<sup>st</sup> day.

**Prizes:** Medals, denominated by the four winds, for individual ranking (1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>), plus a consolation prize for last place (tears wiping).

**Conclusion:** Very nice tournament in Warsaw.