



Observer report for Austrian-Italian Gourmet-Cup 2016 Vol1 7th Memorial Roberto Elegante (MCR, MERS 1)

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Date: April 9th – 10th 2016

Place: Gemona (UD), Italy

Website or other source(s) of information: All information on the FIMJ website (http://www.fimj.it/?page_id=4230): registration, program, list of participants, map to place of tournament and list of past winners.

Participants: 60 players from 6 countries (Italy – 34 players, Austria – 18, France – 3, Netherlands – 2, Russia – 2, Germany – 1). 63 players were initially registered but 3 players had to cancel due to health issues.

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

Location: Hotel Willy's event room – a traditional place for this tournament. Options for staying at the hotel at discount price were provided.

Equipment: We played with 2011 OEMC tile sets and tables with special mats.

Refereeing: Three playing referees: Martin Scheichenbauer, Alessia Cosmo and Marco Montebelli.

Complaints: None.

Information / communication during the tournament:

Visible clock projected from a computer. Players were informed of the start and the end of sessions by referee. Ranking up to date between each session, projected from a computer.

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

Catering: Lunch in the same place (traditional Italian cuisine), drinks and others. Coffee break. Optional Saturday dinner.

Prizes: Prizes for first 15 players, last player, and Roberto Elegante trophy for player who is the closest to 0 minipoints.

Conclusion: Very nice tournament in Gemona (as always). I would recommend it to any player! In my opinion this year's 7 rounds are an improvement on 6 rounds last year, the more the merrier!