



Observer report for 2nd Open Italian Riichi Championship 2018 (Riichi, MERS 2)

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Date: 13rd and 14th of October 2018

Place: Bologna, Italy

Website or other source(s) of information: All information on the website:
http://www.fimj.it/?page_id=6300

Participants: 24 players from 5 countries:

ITA	FRA	ESP	AUT	SWE
				
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Playing schedule: 2 days, 8 sessions (4+4) of 90 minutes

Location: One room in a hotel, large enough to host 24 players with enough space between them.

Equipment: We played with good game sets with tenbos.

Refereeing: Stefan Persson (player referee).

Complaints: The tournament was planned to have 9 sessions, but the first session couldn't be played because too many players were missing at the start of the first day because of a transportation problem not related to the organization. It was then decided to skip one of the two final sessions and start the tournament at the time of the second session. This was talked to all the players at the start of the first day and none complained. Every session after that was played on time, as planned, and there were no more issues.

Information / communication during the tournament: One Visible clock and a sound clearly informed players of the start and the end of sessions.

Individual Ranking up to date between each session projected on screen from a computer

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

Catering: 2 lunches and one coffee break next to the playing room, bottled water in playing room.

Prizes: Nice prizes for individual ranking (3 first classified players) and one more for the best Italian Player. Also gifts for the observer and referee.

Conclusion: Very nice and very well organized tournament in Bologna. We will return!!