



## **Observer report for Aru Hi Riichi open 2024 (Riichi)**

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**Date:** June 1<sup>st</sup> 2024

**Place:** Gothenburg, Sweden

**Website or other source(s) of information:** All information was available online: registration, program, list of participants, playing schedule etc. Scores were also updated online between rounds.

**Participants:** 36 players (Sweden 25, Denmark 9, Belgium 1, Austria 1)

**Playing schedule:** 1 Day, 5 rounds of 90 minutes (gong after 75 mins)

**Location:** Theatre/Dance room of adequate size in comunal building with access to kitchen and several bathrooms.

**Equipment:** Square tables with junk-mats and games in good condition.

**Refereeing:** Niklas Johansson was non-player referee.

**Complaints:** None.

### **Information / communication during the tournament:**

Visible clock projected from a computer on a screen. Gong sound announced start and end of each session. Scores were updated and shown on screen between rounds.

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

**Catering:** Coffee, tea, soft drinks and snacks were available in the kitchen area. Lunch was not included in the tournament but several options were nearby and the kithchen could be used if you brought your own food. Lunch break could have been a bit longer but everyone made it back in time.

**Prizes:** Trophies for individual ranking (1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>) plus consolation prize.

**Conclusion:** Very nice tournament in Gothenburg, everything went according to plan. Nice to see the Swedish mahjong community growing.