

## **Observer report for Swiss Mah-Jong OPEN 2017**

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Place: La Tour de Peilz, Suisse

**Website or other source(s) of information:** All information on the website of the Swiss Mah Jong Federation: http://www.swissmahjong.ch/Fr/tournois.html; general information, registration, program, list of participants, hotels....

**Participants:** 28 players, from 6 countries: Switzerland (12 players), France (7), Italy (3), Belgium (3), Sweden (2), Germany (1).

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

**Location:** "Musée Suisse du ieu", very nice place in a castle in front of the Geneva Lake. The playing room is large enough to host all players and leave space between them.

**Equipment:** We played with standard game sets (without numbers) on bordered tables.

Refereeing: Luc Humbert was non-player referee.

Complaints: None.

## Information / communication during the tournament:

Visible clock projected from a computer on a screen. A gong clearly informs players of the start and the end of sessions. Ranking up to date between each session, projected on a screen.

**Sessions:** Excellent playing atmosphere.

**Catering:** Lunches of Saturday and Sunday in the same place in a room near the playing room. Breakfasts and breaks with coffee, tea, drinks, cakes and swiss chocolates, water bottles free.

**Prizes:** trophies and prizes for the 5 best players and for the Swiss Champion; special prize for the winner offered by MIL.

**Conclusion:** Very nice tournament, well-organised and in a very beautiful place.