Synopsis

EMA Riichi Referee Seminar

Marseilles, France, June, 22nd 2018

**Purpose**

There are two main purposes:

* To certify EMA referees
* In the longer term to create a common European standard for refereeing at official EMA certified competitions

**Content**

The content is split into 3 major parts:

* Rules and regulations, clarification and motivation of the rules and regulations used by EMA
* Behaviour, how to act as referee in a different situations, and how to interact with the players
* Certification, an individual written test to examine if the participant has grasped the key points, a certain score is needed for the certification to be granted

The content is focused on RCR, but some is also relevant for MCR.

**Expectations**

The participants are expected to show interest for:

* Understanding and exercising the rules and fair play
* Being a referee and help players with clarifications and guidance
* Making sure EMA certified tournaments are refereed in a proper and orderly manner

**Preparation**

The participants are expected to read the rules carefully within the last couple of weeks before the seminar:

* Riichi – Rules for Japanese Mahjong, version from 2016

The rules exist in several languages and can be found the EMA homepage (<http://mahjong-europe.org/portal/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=30&Itemid=166>).

**Practical info**

The seminar will be held on June, 22nd 2018 from 11:30 am to 5:30 pm with a lunch break from 1:15 pm to 2 pm, at the « Cercle des Phocéens » in Marseilles.

The seminar and test will be in English.

Registration is free but no lunch or snacks are included, although the area provides a number of accessible facilites. Please register with Simon Picard.

**Presenters**

The material for the referee seminar will be presented by:

* Sylvain Malbec

The material will be distributed latest at the seminar. For questions about the purpose and content of the seminar, please contact Sylvain Malbec (sylvain.malbec@gmail.com).