1. Tournament results should be uploaded to EGD within one week

The Vienna 2014 tournament was held on 21-22 June. The top group was decided by EGD GOR. However, we had difficulties to rely on rating because Strasbourg tournament (23-25 May) was not yet uploaded, which concerned the rating of many top group candidates. (Also Amsterdam tournament, 29 May-1 June, was only upladed a few days prior to Vienna, after we have already imported the rating list for registration purposes.)

Perhaps there were some problems with the results, which prevented the organisers from uploading them sooner. But tournament organisers should be responsible to do it as fast as possible.

In the end, we had to rely on the ranks the players registered with at Vienna tournament, but this shouldn't happen. (Mainly it was about whether Benjamin Teuber or Benjamin Drean-Guenaizia should be in the top group. We also had to find a compromise for the women's prize because Julia Seres played as 1d instead of 1k which was unfair for other 1k women.)

2. EGF/CEGO online training league

As you might know, Zhao Baolong 2p stayed in Vienna for 3 months to train some of the top European players on KGS. http://www.eurogofed.org/cego/ He was sent by Ge Yuhong Go Academy (http://gyhdc.com), the biggest Go school in China, and sponsored by CEGO. Lorenz and I took care of the setup.

The training league only accepted players who were going to participate in the pro qualification (6d+ rating), and the kids who had studied in Beijing.

I got the idea to gradually extend the league to 5d, 4d, 3d... players within a certain, gradually decreasing age limit. They should play in several leagues, the whole year round (instead of 3 months), each with their own teacher. This way, young players can be motivated to improve in order to participate and rise in these leagues, ultimately aiming for the pro qualification.

According to my latest information, EGF, Ge Academy and CEGO have already shown approval for this idea.

Of course, the top league (or top two leagues) should be taught by active Asian pros, most likely from Ge Academy. The leagues beneath should be taught by Europeans like Catalin, Dinerchtein, maybe Cornel. (That should not include the new European pros who prefer playing themselves and have no teaching experience whatsoever.)

I think the participants should pay a small fee, in order to sort out the ones who are not serious about the training, but a sponsor is still needed to pay for the teachers.

As these leagues will be officially organised by EGF, it should not get in conflict with already existing internet leagues (e.g. by Dinerchtein, In-Seong, Guo Juan...) which is my main concern.

At the AGM, I would like to discuss solutions and suggestions concerning the two points I presented above.

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