

## Market Report week 05/2010

Development of futures quotations at the main trading places for Natural Rubber in week 04/2010:

	<b>Quality</b>	<b>Price</b>	<b>MON</b>	<b>TUE</b>	<b>WED</b>	<b>THU</b>	<b>FRI</b>
TOCOM	RSS 3	Yen/kg	286,00	286,20	278,20	274,80	274,30
SICOM	RSS 3	USC/kg	310,50	309,90	300,50	303,00	303,00
SICOM	TSR 20	USC/kg	304,00	300,50	295,00	298,00	300,00
MRE	SMR CV	USC/kg	323,25	326,70	323,45	322,70	323,50
MRE	SMR 20	USC/kg	301,20	303,85	298,15	294,20	294,70
Development of EUR/USD during week 04/2010:							
USD Fix			1,4150	1,4070	1,4064	1,3980	1,3970
Öl/WTI	USD/barrel		72,71	74,38	73,33	71,88	71,38

*(TOCOM RSS 3 - 6. month closing , SICOM RSS 3 & TSR 20 – 1<sup>st</sup> pos. settlement, MRE SMR CV & SMR 20 – closing quotation)*

Prices at the future-markets of TOCOM and SICOM dropped significantly by middle of the week, when investors started to liquidate their long-positions, but recovered pretty soon.

Production in the main producing areas north of the equator is about to stop more or less for wintering, what keeps the raw-material situation still critical, while demand especially from major tyre companies for nearby shipments remains good.

Some big Thai producers announced to reduce their LTC sales to China and go for spot business instead, in order to reduce risks of non-fulfilment of contracts in this volatile market. However, rumours made the round that liquidity of Chinese buyers might have been reduced.

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