

Market Report week 46/2011

Development of futures quotations at the main trading places for Natural Rubber in week 45/2011:

	Quality	Price	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
TOCOM	RSS 3	Yen/kg	284,60	281,70	272,50	252,70	259,00
SICOM	RSS 3	USC/kg	Holiday	351,00	330,00	315,30	323,50
SICOM	TSR 20	USC/kg	Holiday	348,80	324,00	314,90	323,30
MRE	SMR CV	USC/kg	Holiday	406,85	398,35	377,15	369,20
MRE	SMR 20	USC/kg	Holiday	354,45	339,15	313,70	312,20
Development of EUR/USD during week 45/2011:							
USD Fix			1,3775	1,3753	1,3647	1,3577	1,3625
Oil/BRT	USD/barrel		113,99	116,69	114,85	114,38	114,83

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

The previous week generated sharp losses at the futures of TOCOM and SICOM of nearly 12 % during the course of the week. From the lowest quotations on Thursday markets recovered on Friday already by abt. 2,5 %. During this Monday the sharp upward trend continued and markets gained significantly by abt. 3 % in SICOM and 7 % in TOCOM

The strong decline in the last week was mainly caused by the further unclear debt situation in Europe and the US, but mainly the current lower demand from China, caused by large amounts of inventory in the bonded warehouses in Shanghai and Qingdao , was responsible for it. Because of that, Chinese buyers currently don't buy in the international markets. The strong rebound today was mainly caused by investors who took the chance to built position again at much lower levels.

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Abbreviations:

TOCOM = Tokyo Commodity Exchange - SICOM = Singapore Commodity Exchange
MRE = Malaysian Rubber Exchange - WTI =crude oil "Western Texas Intermediate"
RSS 3 = Ribbed Smoked Sheets 3 – TSR 20 = Technically Specified Rubber 20
SMR = Standard Malaysian Rubber