

## Market Report week 02/2018

Development of futures quotations at the main trading places for natural rubber week 02/2018:

	QUALITY	PRICE	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI
TOCOM	RSS 3	YEN/kg	Closed	205,90	207,40	206,90	210,50
SGX	RSS 3	USC/kg	166,60	166,90	167,60	168,00	169,60
SGX	TSR 20	USC/kg	146,00	147,80	148,00	150,50	150,70
MRE	SMR CV	USC/kg	192,55	192,40	192,05	191,90	193,90
MRE	SMR 20	USC/kg	146,25	148,45	148,45	150,35	151,55

## Development of EUR/USD and BRENT crude oil during week 02/2018:

EUR/USD Fix		1,1990	1,1928	1,2011	1,1949	1,2124
USD/JPY Fix		113,1485	112,6695	111,3595	111,6700	111,1585
Oil/BRT	USD/Barrel	67,86	67,96	69,32	69,53	69,14

(TOCOM RSS 3: 6<sup>th</sup> month closing, SGX RSS 3 & TSR 20: 1<sup>st</sup> pos. settlement,  
MRE SMR CV & SMR 20: closing quotation)

During the last trading week we saw a slight recovery for rubber prices. A lack of raw material due to bad weather and the start of an early wintering in some areas pushed the prices upwards.

Speculation that the ECB might loosen its policy and raise the interest rate during this year pushed the Euro to a three-year-high against the US Dollar and traded at its peak around 1,2200.

The economy in Germany and Europe is unchanged positive. It is still a long and rocky road to a final Government building in Germany.

NR-department, 15.01.2018

### Abbreviations:

RSS3 = Ribbed Smoked Sheets 3  
TSR 20 = Technically Specified Rubber 20  
SMR = Standard Malaysian Rubber

TOCOM = Tokyo Commodity Exchange  
SGX = Singapore Exchange  
MRE = Malaysian rubber Exchange  
BRT = crude oil "BRENT"