

## Market Report week 16/2018

Development of futures quotations at the main trading places for natural rubber week 16/2018:

	QUALITY	PRICE	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI
TOCOM	RSS 3	YEN/kg	179,20	180,20	182,30	187,10	187,10
SGX	RSS 3	USC/kg	169,00	169,00	169,90	174,00	172,80
SGX	TSR 20	USC/kg	137,20	136,80	137,40	142,50	138,60
MRE	SMR CV	USC/kg	188,30	187,90	188,00	188,55	188,25
MRE	SMR 20	USC/kg	137,05	137,65	138,20	142,20	140,85

## Development of EUR/USD and BRENT crude oil during week 16/2018:

EUR/USD Fix		1,2365	1,2376	1,2369	1,2374	1,2308
USD/JPY Fix		107,2165	107,0660	107,2545	107,3925	107,6095
Oil/BRT	USD/Barrel	71,72	72,50	73,25	74,61	73,88

(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)

Rubber prices traded higher on stock exchanges, based on the news that China has announced anti-dumping-taxes on Butyl rubber imports.

However, 1 shortage on raw materials in some regions/for some producers still affects rubber production.

Basically the market was reasonably balanced last week, large buying interest of traders and consumers was reflected by the sales of rubber from producers in the rising market.

The positive figures of US companies are mainly due to the tax reform and the a weak dollar.

The oil price is returning to a three-and-a-half-year high. Many industrial metals such as nickel, copper and aluminum are following the trend.

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### 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"