

Market Report week 19/2018

Development of futures quotations at the main trading places for natural rubber week 19/2018:

	QUALITY	PRICE	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI
TOCOM	RSS 3	YEN/kg	193,50	191,70	191,70	192,90	193,40
SGX	RSS 3	USC/kg	173,20	171,40	170,90	143,50	168,30
SGX	TSR 20	USC/kg	144,10	173,00	142,60	169,10	142,20
MRE	SMR CV	USC/kg	186,90	185,40	Closed	Closed	Closed
MRE	SMR 20	USC/kg	145,50	143,55	Closed	Closed	Closed

Development of EUR/USD and BRENT crude oil during week 19/2018:

EUR/USD Fix		1,1928	1,1872	1,1887	1,1896	1,1941
USD/JPY Fix		109,2795	108,9935	109,6845	109,4350	109,2835
Oil/BRT	USD/Barrel	74,98	75,42	76,88	76,73	75,38

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

The crude oil price was raising the USD 71,- / BBL level during last week. Currently, we don't see any signs for a change. The global index for economic data, as well as the global index for economic expectations was increasing by several points. "Buy in May and stay" can be a valid strategy this year.

We need to watchful wait, if these positive signals will also have their impact on the Natural Rubber prices. Last week's notations showed more a kind of stability. Nevertheless, it is necessary to have a close eye onto the market in these volatile times. Changes may come in fast. Our team is always available for discussion concerning these topics.

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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"