

## Market Report week 47/2020

Development of futures quotations at the main trading places for natural rubber week 46/2020:

Stock Market	QUALITY	PRICE	MO.	TUE.	WED.	THU.	FRI.	Change
TOCOM	RSS 3	YEN/kg	237,30	239,00	245,00	260,00	268,00	+12,94%
SGX	RSS 3	USC/kg	239,20	240,00	237,50	244,00	242,00	+1,17%
SGX	TSR 20	USC/kg	151,40	151,10	154,60	158,10	156,00	+3,04 %
MRE	SMR CV	USC/kg	261,95	258,65	257,50	252,35	248,65	-5,08%
MRE	SMR 20	USC/kg	152,00	150,75	156,35	156,45	157,20	+3,42%

(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)

EUR/USD Fix		1,1870	1,1789	1,1776	1,1812	1,1823	
USD/JPY Fix		103,7110	105,2750	105,4115	105,3350	105,0405	
ÖI/BRT	USD/Barrel	40,74	42,86	44,81	43,78	43,29	

The market is somewhat weaker. Small corrections in physical prices are there, but the lower stock market prices do not have a major impact.

What does have an impact, however, and will continue to have an impact over the next few months, is the scarcity of cargo space on the routes from Southeast Asia to Europe. The shipping companies have taken about 20% of the shipping capacity out of service worldwide to achieve better prices. Especially now for the Christmas business and the Chinese New Year in February this seems to be a unique opportunity! This does not pass us by without leaving a trace.

We have to make adjustments to the freight rates in our calculation.

And: What is not already loaded now, will certainly not leave the country of origin this year, unless you are willing to pay double or triple the freight price. Even then, it is a matter of luck whether the goods will be shipped by the end of December.

These circumstances must be taken very seriously and they will continue to present us (and by that I mean our entire industry) with challenges in the coming months.

### 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"