

## Market Report week 19/2012

Development of futures quotations at the main trading places for Natural Rubber in week 18/2012:

	<b>Quality</b>	<b>Price</b>	<b>MON</b>	<b>TUE</b>	<b>WED</b>	<b>THU</b>	<b>FRI</b>
TOCOM	RSS 3	Yen/kg	Holiday	313,90	315,80	Holiday	Holiday
SICOM	RSS 3	USC/kg	391,00	Holiday	393,50	392,50	393,90
SICOM	TSR 20	USC/kg	366,50	Holiday	369,20	365,00	364,50
MRE	SMR CV	USC/kg	415,75	Holiday	419,40	418,85	416,90
MRE	SMR 20	USC/kg	366,40	Holiday	370,25	367,55	363,65
Development of EUR/USD during week 18/2012:							
USD Fix			1,3228		1,3130	1,3125	1,3125
Oil/BRT	USD/barrel		119,64		119,39	118,03	115,22

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

in week 18/2012 activities at the NR future markets were restricted due to a couple of hoildays. TOCOM gained abt. 0,9 %, SGX RSS 3 abt. 2,0 % and TSR 20 were unchanged. However, at the beginning of the new week market dropped significantly. Especially the results from the election in France and Greece weighed on the EUR, that lost more than 1 Cent. The instable situation in Greece could cause further pressure on the EURO in the near-term , as other neighbour countries from the EURO-room also face problems.

Prodcution in Thailand and Malaysia is still critical, due to wintering, but consumer demand is actually very weak.

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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