

## Market Report week 24/ 2013

Development of futures quotations at the main trading places for natural rubber in week 24/ 2013:

|       | QUALITY | PRICE  | MON    | TUE    | WED    | THUR   | FRI    |
|-------|---------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| TOCOM | RSS 3   | YEN/kg | 247,00 | 248,60 | 240,10 | 231,30 | 235,30 |
| SGX   | RSS 3   | USC/kg | 286,00 | 282,00 | 278,00 | 276,00 | 278,00 |
| SGX   | TSR 20  | USC/kg | 240,60 | 235,60 | 232,80 | 230,00 | 232,90 |
| MRE   | SMR CV  | USC/kg | 308,40 | 305,40 | 302,30 | 297,95 | 298,60 |
| MRE   | SMR 20  | USC/kg | 237,40 | 237,35 | 233,20 | 230,15 | 234,05 |

### Development of EUR/USD during week 24/2013:

|         |            |        |        |        |        |        |
|---------|------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| USD Fix |            | 1,3215 | 1,3268 | 1,3282 | 1,3335 | 1,3315 |
| Oil/BRT | USD/Barrel | 104,40 | 102,90 | 102,81 | 102,82 | 105,01 |

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

In the recent week future markets continued their falling tendency. TOCOM lost during the week abt. 4,4 %, SGX RSS 3 and TSR 20 declined about 3,0 %. Main reason is the weak demand, while production after wintering is picking up. In the last week member countries of the Tripartite met in Palembang/Indonesia for their regular meeting without concluding anything. However, the Thai Ministry of Agriculture announced , to support prices with the assistance of the biggest producers of Thailand. Their intention is to use the TRA to influence the prices. Anyhow, as the TRA is recognized as more or less unimportant for the international markets, it is the question whether this measures can influence the prices without an increasing demand.

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Abbreviations:

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

TOCOM = Tokyo Commodity Exchange  
SICOM = Singapore Commodity Exchange  
MRE = Malaysian rubber Exchange  
WTI = crude oil "Western Trade Intermediate"