

Market Report week 40/2014

Development of futures quotations at the main trading places for natural rubber in week of September 22nd, 2014:

	QUALITY	PRICE	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI
TOCOM	RSS 3	YEN/kg	183,50	Feiertag	183,40	180,90	185,40
SGX	RSS 3	USC/kg	157,20	154,30	155,30	151,60	156,00
SGX	TSR 20	USC/kg	145,90	144,80	146,40	145,00	147,30
MRE	SMR CV	USC/kg	206,95	204,10	204,05	203,10	201,70
MRE	SMR 20	USC/kg	147,75	145,85	146,15	145,30	146,90

Development of EUR/USD and BRENT crude oil during week of September 22nd, 2014:

EUR/USD Fix		1,2844	1,2890	1,2835	1,2712	1,2735
USD/JPY Fix		109,0415	108,4950	108,7445	109,2645	109,1400
Oil/BRT	USD/Barrel	98,05	98,05	98,05	97,10	98,33

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

In the past week the mood at the future-markets was overall bearish. TOCOM RSS 3 lost around 2 %, SGX RSS 3 5% and TSR 20 2%.

As we reported, one of the main reasons is Chinas overrated economic growth.

Brentoil was not able to take advantage from several global crises to reject losses and broke through the new two-year low, which was settled just one week earlier.

In the FOREX market, the EURO is in a bearish mood against the USD since July 2014. A break through the 1,2700 settled a new 22-month-low. Analysts said, it is possible this bearish mood continues into the year 2015 with possible settlements at around 1,2000. Reasons seems to be a weaker economy and a loss of trust in the European economic growth.

In natural rubber production areas south of the equator wintering is still in full progress. Full stocks and a weak demand keeps the prices under pressure. The predicted price increase is still pending.

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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"