

Market Report week 22/2009

Development of futures quotations at the main trading places for Natural Rubber in week 21/2009:

	Quality	Price	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
TOCOM	RSS 3	Yen/kg	159,20	164,80	164,90	162,50	160,70
SICOM	RSS 3	USC/kg	163,00	167,00	167,00	167,00	168,00
SICOM	TSR 20	USC/kg	151,00	154,80	153,00	152,50	153,00
MRE	SMR CV	USC/kg	178,75	181,15	181,00	180,80	182,10
MRE	SMR 20	USC/kg	159,35	161,00	161,00	160,45	161,10
Development of EUR/USD during week 21/2009:							
USD Fix			1,3447	1,3595	1,3630	1,3780	1,3937

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

The recent week was characterized by firm crude-oil prices above the 60 USD/barrel mark and a firm EURO. The EURO got support from bad news from the US economy. Future markets changed only a little. The further development of the NR- prices depends mainly on the further production after the wintering. Currently, partly heavy rainfalls hamper production in the main areas of Thailand, Malaysia & Vietnam. The raw material supply therefore is insufficient while the demand is low.

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