

EM Training Workshop Progress Update

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Between March and April 2026, Ocean Outcomes (O2), in collaboration with the Department of Fisheries Technology and Management at National Kaohsiung University of Science and Technology (NKUST), successfully delivered a series of three Electronic Monitoring (EM) observer training workshops.

The workshops introduced participants to three EM systems currently deployed across the Taiwan distant-water tuna longline fleet, combining remote instruction from technology providers with in-person, hands-on training at NKUST. The training covered key competencies including video review, event annotation, data analysis, and system-specific functionalities.

The workshop series covered the following EM platforms:

- **Satlink (Mar 7–8, 2026)** – REM system deployed on selected vessels
- **Integrated Monitoring (IM) (Apr 18–19, 2026)** – Web-based EM platform with AI-assisted data processing
- **Zunibal (Apr 25–26, 2026)** – EM platform with integrated annotation and data export functions

Participants included representatives from Taiwan fisheries agency, academic institutions, fishing companies, FIP participants and fisheries research organizations, demonstrating strong cross-sector engagement in EM implementation and capacity building.

Following completion of the workshops, trained participants are now equipped to conduct EM data review for multiple vessels. The program also established a scalable hybrid training model and peer-learning approach to support future expansion of EM implementation across the fleet.

Overall, this initiative represents continued progress in strengthening EM capacity, improving data verification, and supporting compliance and monitoring objectives under the FIP.

