

E-training tool descriptor

Supra-category:	IOTC ROS Observer Co-ordinator Training (IOTC ROS OLC)
Category:	Identify observer programme management structure (IOTC ROS OLC TR3) <i>Course: institutional structure, resources and materials to manage observer programme (IOTC ROS OLC TR3.01 & TR3.02)</i>

Course Description

The formation of a unit tasked with the development and continuous management of the program is a fundamental component for the development, management and coordination of national observer programs. This single entity is essential to both the development and success of an observer program, which will also affect the continuity and quality of information provided back to the CPC and the IOTC.

The type and number of staff involved on an Observer Program can differ enormously from a small programme, with perhaps one co-ordinator running the entire operation, to a programme managed from a head office with satellite offices at other key sampling ports. Observer Coordination teams should be appropriately qualified, experienced in observer coordination matters or been trained to accomplish necessary functions.

The purpose of this course is to familiarize participants to the Observer Coordinator Workshops (OCW) with existing institutional structure, resources and materials to manage CPC observer programme.

Participants are to autonomously complete this e-training module in preparation to the interactive practical workshop on Observer Program Development & Logistic Coordination, so they can clearly define their job description as part of the Observer Logistic Coordination Team, estimate Observer Program start-up and annual operational costs, develop proper procedures for advance payments, identify funding to ensure Observer Program self-sustainment and include this information to *CPCs' Observer programme development & observer logistical co-ordination guide*.