

ROV Pilot Training at Abel Gets “Hands-on”

Hands-on ROV operational training at Abel’s dedicated global ROV training facility in Crotone, south of Italy, has been enhanced with the introduction of a Saab Seaeeye Falcon ROV. Pilots and technicians get direct experience onboard Abel’s M/V Sea Explorer, both in the harbor and in open sea.

The facility offers ROV training across the industry to pilots and technicians from around the world.

“We have been extremely busy training students for the ROV industry following IMCA guidelines, and those students have an excel-

lent record of getting a job.

They are given many hours of live flying experience with our new Seaeeye Falcon ROV that will make recruitment agencies, as well as oil and gas companies very willing to take on personnel trained by Abel,” said Andrea Bellizzi, Abel’s General Manager.

The Falcon system supplied to Abel is equipped with a high definition color camera and low light B/W camera; a Tritech SeaPrince panoramic sonar, and a Single Function, 3 Jaw Manipulator, and Rope Cutter.



The Abel team, from the left, Simone Grillo (ROV Technical Support Engineer and personnel Co-ordinator), Andrea Bellizzi (Abel General Manager and ROV Project Manager) and Giulio Blarzino (Responsible of HSE Management and ROV Support Co-ordinator) with trainee ROV pilots.