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Trio appointed to England Men's scouting team

The England and Wales Cricket Board has appointed James Foster, Richard Scott and Owais Shah to the England Men's scouting team.

The trio are responsible for scouting red-ball and white-ball domestic cricket to inform selection for England Men and England Lions teams and programmes.

Former England internationals Foster and Shah boast extensive playing and coaching experience, while former Middlesex coach Scott is involved in

pathway cricket and will bring a perspective of both the county game and players developing through the pathway.

Foster has worked as a part of the England Men's team across formats and is the current Men's Northern Superchargers and Desert Vipers head coach. He will combine his scouting role with his coaching duties in franchise and International cricket.

Shah, capped 94 times by England across three formats, has vast experience across the world and coached Rajshahi Royals to the 2020 Bangladesh Premier League title.

Scott enjoyed a six-year county career with Hampshire and Gloucestershire before taking on the role as Middlesex coach, where he worked with players who progressed to England honours.

ECB Player ID and Talent Pathway Lead, David Court, said: "Scouting is a key function of our Player Identification activity and aims to balance our objective data analysis with expert observations and judgment. We're delighted that Owais, Richard and James are joining the scouting team and will each bring a unique perspective on players.

"They will specifically inform selections for our England Men's and England Lions teams and programmes."

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