

Having clear co-ordination mechanisms at the political and technical levels, supported by procedures to ensure the mechanisms are fully functioning and responsive to changing needs, is crucial for effective debt and aid management.

The co-ordination structure needs to include all the major institutional participants in aid and debt management. The terms of reference for the committee, working group or task force (however named) need to specify clearly the roles and responsibilities for each of the participating departments and agencies. [Burkina Faso](#) is an example of where this has been achieved via its National Debt Policy Committee.