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Christopher Burns is the Chief Digital Development Officer (CDDO) for USAID and the Director for the Technology Division within the Innovation, Technology, and Research (ITR) Hub.

In the CDDO role, he coordinates and tracks programmatic Digital Development investments across the Agency; represents USAID's programmatic digital technology work across the interagency and with external stakeholders and partners; and guides the adaptation of the Agency's programs as the digital landscape evolves. He also chairs the Digital Sector Council that meets monthly to discuss and coordinate on Digital Development programming.

In the role of Director for Technology, Christopher leads technical teams focused on a range of Digital Development topics, and the role they play in driving an inclusive digital economy. In his more than fifteen years with USAID, he has spearheaded and served as technical lead for a number of public-private partnerships, as well as the development of USAID's first-ever Digital Strategy.