USAID Acronym List

Note that the below are from the USAID intranet.

- A&A - Acquisition and Assistance
- AA - Assistant Administrator
- AAD - Activity Appraisal Document, Activity Approval Document
- AAR - Application Architecture Review
- ACA - Agency Contracted Audit
- ACTS - Agency Correspondence Tracking System
- ACV - Administrative Control Violation
- AD - Active Directory
- ADA - Anti-Deficiency Act
- ADS - Automated Directives System
- AFR - Africa Bureau (USAID/AFR)
- ADB - Asian Development Bank
- AfDB - African Development Bank
- AG - Attorney General or Auditor General
- AIDW - USAID Washington
- AIMS - Audit Information Management System
  - *or,* Automated Information Management System
- AMS - Administrative Management Staff
- AMU - Arab Maghreb Union (North Africa)
- AO - Agreement Officer
  - *or,* Action Office
- AOR - Agreement Officer's Representative (replaces AOTR)
- AOTR - Agreement Offficer's Technical Representative (replaced by AOR)
- APC - Audit Performance & Compliance Division (M/CFO/APC),
  - *or,* Assignments and Performance Counselor
- APEX - Application Express (Oracle)
- API - Application Programming Interface
- APS - Annual Program Statement
- ARR - Application Requirements Review
- ARRA - American Reinvestment and Recovery Act
- ART - Antiretroviral therapy (primarily in HIV treatment)
- ARV - Antiretroviral drug
- ASEAN - Association of Southeast Asian Nations
- ASF - Animal Source Foods
- ASHA - Office of American Schools and Hospitals Abroad
- ASIST - Agency Secure Image and Storage Tracking
- ASP - Active Server Pages
- ATS - Audit Tracking System
- AU - African Union

B

- BCC - Behavior Change Communication
- BCCS - Business Consulting & Client Services division (M/CIO/BCCS)
- BFS - Bureau for Food Security
- BI - Background Investigations branch (SEC/PS/BI)
- BIE - Business Infrastructure Engineering division (M/CIO/BIE)
- BIMC - Beltsville Information Management Center
- BOE - Business Objects Enterprise
- BPD - Business Process Development
- BPM - Business Process Management
- BPR - Best Practice Review
- BRICS - Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa (an association of leading emerging economies)
- BRM - Budget Resource and Management
- BRMS - Business Rules Management System

C

- C&A - Certification and Accreditation
- C&R - Communication and Records
- CACS - Consolidated Audit and Compliance System
- CAF - Conflict Assessment Framework
- CAM - Contract Audit Management Branch (M/OAA/CAS/CAM)
- CAP - Corrective Action Plan
- CAS - Cost, Audit and Support Division (M/OAA/CAS),
  - *or* Corporate Application Server
- CBO - Community Based Organizations
- CCB - Configuration/Change Control Board
- CDCS- Country Development Cooperation Strategy
- CDC - Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
- CDP - Cooperative Development Program
- CE - Chief Engineer (M/CIO/CE)
- CEDPA - Centre for Development and Population Activities
- CEMAC - Central African Economic and Monetary Community *(Communauté Économique et Monetaire de l`Afrique Centrale)*
- CFO - Chief Financial Officer (M/CFO)
- CGIAR - Consultative Group on International Agricultural Research
- CIAT - International Center for Tropical Agriculture (*Centro Internacional de Agricultura Tropical*) (CGIAR member)
- CIDA - Canadian International Development Agency
- CIMMYT - International Maiz and Wheat Improvement Center (*Centro Internacional de Mejoramiento de Maiz y Trigo*) (CGIAR member)
- CIO - Chief Information Officer
- CIP - Commodity Import Program,
  - *or* Country Investment Plan,
  - *or* International Potato Center (*Centro Internacional de la Papa*) (CGIAR member)
- CIRAD - *Centre de coopération internationale en recherche agronomique pour le développement*
- CISO - Chief Information Security Officer
- CM - Configuration Management or Change Management
- CMM - Conflict Management and Mitigation
- CMP - Cash Management and Payment Division (CFO/CMP)
- COB - close of business
- CODEL - Congressional Delegation
- COM **-** Chief of Mission
- CoM - Council of Ministers
- COMESA - Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa
- COMESSA - Community of Sahel-Saharan States (Africa)
- COO - Chief Operating Officer
- COOP - Continuity of Operations Plan
- CoP - Communities of Practice
- COP - Chief of Party (runs a project)
- COR - Contract Officer's Representative (used to be COTR)
- COTR - Contract Officer's Technical Representative (replaced by COR)
- COTS - Commercial-Off-the-Shelf
- CoY - Close of Year
- CP - Contingency Plan
- CPC - Country of Particular Concern
- CPIC - Capital Planning and Investment Control
- CPU - Central Processing Unit
- CR - Change Request
- CRIS - Clearance Records and Investigations System
- CRSP - Collaborative Research Support Program
- CSAM - Cyber Security Assessment and Management
- CSO - Conflict Stabilization Operations

- CSS - Cascading Style Sheets
- C-TIP - Countering Trafficking in Persons
- CTIS - Counterterrorism & Information Security (USAID/SEC/CTIS)
- CUI - Controlled Unclassified Information (replaces SBU)
- CVS - Clearance Verification System
- C/VEI - Countering Violent Extremism and Insurgency

D

- DAA - Designated Approving Authority
  - *or*, Deputy Assistant Administrator
- DAP - Directory Access Protocol
- DBMS - Database Management System
- DCA - USAID Development Credit Authority
- DCC - Document Control Clerk
- DCN - Document Control Number
- DCHA - USAID Bureau for Democracy, Conflict, and Humanitarian Assistance
- DDR - Detailed Design Review
- DEC - USAID Development Experience Clearinghouse
- DE - Donor Engagement
- DFID - Department for International Development (UK)
- DGP - Development Grants Program
- DH - Direct Hire
- DIV - Development Innovation Ventures
- DMVPN - Dynamic Multiport Virtual Private Network
- DMZ - De-Militarized Zone Network
- DO - Development Objective (used to be AO - Assistance Objective and SO - Strategic Objective)
- DOAG - Development Objective Agreement
- DLI - Development Leadership Initiative
- DMPA - Depo-Provera or Depot medroxyprogesterone acetate, a progestogen-only hormonal contraceptive
- DNI - Director of National Intelligence
- DNS - Domain Name Server
- DOD - Department of Defense
- DoS - Department of State
- DQA - Data Quality Assessment
- DRG - Center of Excellence on Democracy, Human Rights, and Governance (in DCHA)
- DRM - Digital Rights Management
- DRR - Deployment Readiness Review
- DUNS - Data Universal Numbering System
- DVC - digital video conference

E

- E&TS - Engineering & Technical Services
- E3 - Bureau for Economic Growth, Environment and Education
- EA - Enterprise Architecture
- EAC - East African Community
- EADS - Economic Analysis and Data Services
- EAI - Enterprise Application Integration
- EAP - Enterprise Application Platform
- ECA - UN Economic Commission for Africa
- ECOWAS - Economic Community of West African States
- EDI - Electronic Data Exchange
- EDR - Enterprise Data Recovery
  - or, Employee Data Record
- EDS - Enterprise Data Solution
- EEL - Emergency Employee Locator system
- EGAT- Bureau for Economic Growth, Agriculture, and Trade (now E3)
- EGOV - Electronic Government

- EIMS - Employee Information Management System
- EIT - Electronic and Information Technology
- ENMS - Enterprise Network Management Services
- EOCC - Expanded Object Class Codes
- EOL - End of Life - also see DEATH ;-)
- EOP - End-of-project
- ePICS - Electronic Procurement Information Collection System
- EPR - Engineering Planning Review
- eQIP - Electronic Questionaire for Investigations Processing
- ERM - Electronic Records Management
- ERT - Engineering Response Team
- ES - Executive Secretariat
- ESB - Enterprise Service Bus
- ESC - Executive Steering Committee
- ESDB - Economic and Social Database
- ESOC - Enterprise Server Operations Center
- ETL - Extract, Transform, and Load
- EVM - Earned Value Management
- EXO - Executive Officer

F

- FAM - Fertility Awareness Method
- FAN - Foreign Affairs Network
- FAO - Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations
- FAR - Fixed Amount Reimbursement
- FARA - Fixed Amount Reimbursement Agreement
- FBO - Faith-Based Organization
- FCV - Funds Control Violation
- FDTS - Financial Discloser Tracking System
- FDA - Food and Drug Administration
- FEA - Federal Enterprise Architecture
- FFP - Food for Peace
- FGM - Female Genital Mutilation
- FI - Field Investigations Branch (SEC/PS/FI)
- FID - Frontiers in Development
- FIGO - International Federation of Gynecology and Obstetrics
- FIPS - Federal Information Processing Standards
- FISMA - Federal Information Security Management Act (of 2002)
- FIST - Field Information Support Tool
- FJD - Framework Job Description
- FLOTUS - First Lady of the USA
- FM - Financial Management
- FMFIA - Federal Managers Financial Integrity Act
- FOG - Fixed Obligation Grant
- FOIA - Freedom of Information Act
- FP - Family Planning
- FPS - Financial Policy and Support Division (M/CFO/FPS)
- FS - Field Support
    - *or*, Federated Server
- FSAS - Foreign Service Assignment System
- FSN - Foreign Service National
- FSN SAC - Foreign Service National Senior Advisory Corps
- FSRC - Foreign Service Report Card
- FtF - Feed the Future
- FTP - File Transfer Protocol
- FWD - Famine War Drought campaign
- FY - Fiscal Year
- F Foreign Assistance

G

- GAL - Global Address List
- GAO - Government Accountability Office [formerly the General Accounting Office]
- GC - General Counsel
- GCC - Global Climate Change
- GDA - Global Development Alliance
- GenDev - Gender Equality and Women Empowerment (Office of, in E3)
- GBV - Gender-based violence
- GH - Global Health
- GIS - Geographical Information Services
- GIZ - *Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit* (German Society for International Cooperation, formerly GTZ)
- GLAAS - Global Acquisition and Assistance System
- GLAAs ODS - GLAAS Operational Data Store
- GLEWS - Global Early Warning System for major animal diseases, including zoonoses
- GMRA - Government Management Reform Act (of 1994)
- GoK - Government of Kosovo
- GPO - Group Policy Object
- GOTS - Government Off-the-Shelf
- GRE - Generic Routing Encapsulation
- GSO - General Services Office
- GSSAPI - Generic Security Services Application Program Interface

H

- HACFO: House Appropriations Committee Subcommittee on Foreign Operations
- HFAC: House Foreign Affairs Committee
- HoA - Horn of Africa
- HoM - Head of Mission
- HIPs - High-impact practices
- HIV and AIDS (note, **not** HIV/AIDS) - Human Immunodeficiency Virus / Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome [UNAIDS guidelines: use the term that is most specific and appropriate in the context to avoid confusion between HIV (a virus) and AIDS (a clinical syndrome)]
- HLR - High Level Requirement
- HR - Human Resources
- HRH - Human Resources for Health
- HSC - Health Sector Council
- HSPD-12 - Homeland Security Presidential Directive 12
- HTML - Hypertext Markup Language
- HTSP - Healthy timing and spacing of pregnancy
- HTTP - Hypertext Transfer Protocol
- HTTPS - Hypertext Transfer Protocol Secure

I

- IA - Incentive Awards ,
  - *or,* Information Architecture
- IaaS - Infrastructure as a Service
- IAS - International Aids Society
- IATI - International Aid and Transparency Initiative
- IBR - Integrated Baseline Review
- IBRD - International Bank of Reconstruction and Development - World Bank
- ICAF - Interagency Conflict Assessment Framework
- ICASS - International Cooperative Administrative Support Services (DoS)
- ICIMOD - International Centre for Integrated Mountain Development
- ICM - Institutional Contractor Memorandum
- ICRP - Instability, Crisis, and Recovery Programs (an IQC)
- ICS - Integrated Country Strategy
- ICT - Information and Communication Technology/ies

- ICT4D - Information and Communication Technology for Development
- ICT4E - Information and Communication Technology for Education
- IDEA - Office of Innovation and Development Alliances
- IdP - Identity provider
- IED - Improvised Explosive Device
- IFAD - International Fund for Agricultural Development
- IFPRI - International Food Policy Research Institute (CGIAR member)
- IG - Inspector General
- IGAD - Intergovernmental Authority on Development
- ILAB - Inter-operability Laboratory
- ILRI - International Livestock Research Institute (CGIAR member)
- IM - Implementing Mechanism
- IMS - Inventory Management System
- IP - Implementing Partner,
  or, Internet Protocol
- IPAC - Intra-governmental Payment and Collection system
- IPR - Investment Planning Review,
  - *or* Intellectual Property Rights
- IQC - Indefinite Quantity Contract
- IRD - Information Records Division (M/AS/IRD)
- IRH - Institute for Reproductive Health (out of Georgetown University)
- IRM - Office of Intellectual Resources Management (M/IRM)
- IRRI - International Rice Research Institute (CGIAR member)
- IRT - Issue Resolution Table
- IS - Implementation Science
- ISO - International Organization for Standardization (responsible for the ISO 9000, ISO 14000, ISO 27000, ISO 22000 and other international management standards)
- ISP - International Security Program
  - *or,* Internet Service Provider
- ISSO - Information Systems Security Officer
- IT - Information Technology
- ITMY - Inventory Tool for Microsoft Updates
- ITSS - Information Technology Steering Subcommittee
- ITTI - Information Technology Transformation Initiative
- IUD - Intra-uterine device
- IV&V - Independent Verification and Validation
- IZ - Immunization

J

- J2ME - Java Mobile Edition
- JBDS - JBoss Developers Studio
- JDK - Java Development Kit
- JEC- Justification for Exception to Competition
- Jhpiego - founded as the Johns Hopkins Program for International Education in Gynecology and Obstetrics, now an international, non-profit health organization affiliated with Johns Hopkins University
- JHUCCP - Johns Hopkins University/Center for Communication Programs
- JIt - Just in Time
- JOFOC - Justification for other than Full and Open Competition
- JRE - Java Runtime Environment
- JVM - Java Virtual Machine

K

- KDP - Ket Decision Point
- KM - Knowledge Management
- KSC - Knowledge Services Center
- K4Dev - Knowledge for Development
- K4Health - Knowledge for Health

L

- LAC - Latin America & the Caribbean
- LAM – Lactational Amenorrhea (contraceptive method)
- LAN - Local Area Network
- LAPM - Long-acting and permanent methods (contraceptive methods)
- LDAP - Lightweight Directory Access Protocol
- LEPP - Limited Excess Property Program
- LGBTI - Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transsexual and Intersex (Community)
- LMI - Lower Mekong Initiative
- LOE - Level of Effort
- LPA - Legislative and Public Affairs
- LS - Local Sustainability

M

- M - Management
- MARP - Most At Risk Populations (HIV and AIDS)
- M4D - Mobile(s) for Development
- M&E - Monitoring and Evaluation
- M&PSS - Management & Professional Support Services
- MC - Male Circumcision
- MCH - Maternal and Child Health
- MCP - Multiple and Concurrent Partnerships (HIV and AIDS)
- MDGs - UN Millennium Development Goals
- MDM - Mobile Device Management
    - *or*, Master Data Management
- MEAP - Mobile Enterprise Application
- MENA - Middle East and North Africa
- mHealth - Mobile Health (a term used for the practice of medicine and public health, supported by mobile devices)
- MOA - Memorandum of Agreement
- MOC - USAID Management Operations Council
- MOFA - Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- MoU - Memorandum of Understanding
- MPC - Management performance Challenge
- MPEP - E3's Office of Microenterprise and Private Enterprise Promotion
- MRR - Mission Resource Request
- MS - Mobile Solutions (Division of, in IDEA)
- MSH - Management Sciences for Health
- MSM - Men who have sex with men (HIV and AIDS)
- MSRP - Mission Strategy and Resource Request
- MTB-CTS - Manage To Budget – Compensation Tracking System
- MTD - Maximum Tolerable Downtime
- mVSF - Mobile Visual Staff Finder

N

- NA or N/A - Not Applicable
    - *or*, Not Available
- NAP - National Action Plan
- NARA - National Archives and Records Administration
- NEP - New Entry Professional
- NEPAD - New Partnership for Africa's Development
- NFC - National Finance Center
- NGO - Non-Governmental Organization
- NID - National Institute for Development
- NIEM - National Information Exchange Model
- NIH - National Institutes of Health
- NIST - National Institute of Standards and Technology
- NRM - Natural Resource Management

- NSS - Network Security Services
- NTAE - Non-traditional Agriculture Exports

O

- O&M - Operations and Maintenance
- OAA - Office of Acquisition and Assistance (M/OAA)
- OAS - Oracle Application Server
- OCFO - Office of the Chief Financial Officer
- OCIO - Office of the Chief Information Officer
- OCR - Office of Civilian Response
- ODS - Operational Data Store
- OECD - Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development
- OGAC - Office of the US Global AIDS Coordinator
- OHA - Office of HIV/AIDS (USAID)
- OHR - Office of Human Resources
- OIG - Office of the Inspector General
- OMB - Office of Management and Budget
- OMEP - Office of Middle East Programs
- OOTB - Out-of-the-Box
- OP - Operational Plan
- OPM - Office of Personnel Management
- ORR - Operational Readiness Review
- OS - Operating System
- OSCE - Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe
- OTI - Office of Transition Initiatives
- OU - Operating Unit
- OVC - Orphans and Vulnerable Children

P

- Paas - Platform as a Service
- PAD - Project Appraisal Document
- PASA - Participating Agency Service Agreement
- PBR - Performance Baseline Review
- PCR - Project Closure Review
- PCSC - Program Cycle Service Center
- PD - Project Design
- PDF - Portable Document Format
- PEACE - Programming Effectively Against Conflict and Extremism (an IQC)
- PEPFAR - US President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief
- PF - Policy Framework
- PFMRAF - Public Financial Management Risk Assessment Framework
- PFRMAF - Public Financial Risk Management Assessment Framework
- PHE - Population, Health and Environment
- PIA - Privacy Impact Assessment
- PII - Personally Identifiable Information
- PIN - Personal Identification Number
- PITF - Political Instability Task Force
- PIO - Public International Organization
- PIPS - Personnel Investigations Processing System
- PIR - Portfolio Implementation Review
       - *or*, Post Implementation Review
- PIV - Personal Identification Verification
- PKI - Public Key Infrastructure
- PM - Project Manager
- PMF - Presidential Management Fellow
- PMI - Presidential Malaria Initiative
- PMP - Performance Management Plan ,
       - *or,* Project Management Professional
- PMTCT - Prevention of Mother-to-Child Transmission (of HIV)

- PO - Purchase Order
- POA&M - Plan of Action and Milestones
- POC - Point of Contact
- POTUS - President of the USA
- PPFP - Postpartum Family Planning
- PPL - Planning, Policy, and Learning
    - *or*, Pre-Production Lab
- PPP - Public Private Partnership
- PPR - Performance Plan and Report
- PRB - Project Review Board
- PrEP - Pre-exposure prophylaxis (HIV prevention)
- PRH - Office of Population and Reproductive Health
- PRT - Provincial Reconstruction Team
- PS - Personnel Security (USAID)
- PSC - Personal Services Contractor
- PVO - Private Voluntary Organization
- PVRF - Position Validation Response Form
- PVS - Partner Vetting System

Q

- QAPR - Quality Assurance and Periodic Reinvestigations Branch (SEC/PS/QAPR)
- QDDR- Quadrennial Diplomacy Development Review

R

- RCA - Recipient Contracted Audit
- RDCS - Regional Development Cooperation Strategy
- REST - Representational State Transfer
- RFP - Request for Proposals
- RHAP - Regional HIV/AIDS Program (USAID Southern Africa)
- RIG - Regional Inspector General
- RLA - Regional Legal Advisor
- ROI - Return on Investment
    - *or*, Report of Investigation
- ROM - Rough Order of Magnitude
- RSO - Regional Security Office
- RTM - Requirements Traceability Matrix
- RU - Research Utilization

S

- SA&E - Studies, Analyses, & Evaluations
- SaaS - Software as a Service
- SAC - Special Awards Committee
- SACFO - Senate Appropriations Committee Subcommittee on Foreign Operations
- SADC - Southern African Development Community
- SAI - Supreme Audit Institution (Host country government)
- SAM - System for Award Management
- SAML - Security Assertion Markup Language
    - *or*, Software Asset Management Librarian
- SAPM - Special Access Program Manager
- SAR - System Architecture Review
    - *or*, Software Approval Request
- SASDC - South African Supplier Diversity Council (USAID South Africa)
- SBC - Server Based Computing
- SBU - Sensitive But Unclassified (replaced by CUI)
- SCCM - System Center Configuration Manager
- SCIF - Sensitive Compartmented Information Facility
- SDLC - Software Development Life Cycle
- SDK - Software Development Kit

- SDM - <u>Standard Days Method (contraceptive method)</u>
- SEC - Office of Security (USAID/SEC)
- SFRC - Senate Foreign Relations Committee
- SGML - Standard General Mark-up Language
- SHARE - Southern Africa HIV/AIDS Regional Exchange (RHAP - USAID Southern Africa)
- SIDA - Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency
- SLA - Service Level Agreement
- SMART - Standardized Monitoring & Assessment of Relief & Transitions
- SME - Small and Medium Enterprise,
  - *or* Subject Matter Expert
- SMTP - Simple Mail Transfer Protocol
- SNMP - Simple Network Management Protocol
- SOA - Server Operation Agreement
  - *or*, Software Oriented Architecture
- SOAG - Strategic Objective Agreement
- SOAP - Simple Object Access Protocol
- SOP - Standard Operating Procedure
- SORN - System of Records Notice (in the *Federal Register*)
- SoW - Scope of Work
  - *or*, Statement of Work
- SPA - Small Project Assistance
- SPNEGO - Simple and Protected GSSAPI Negotiation Mechanism
- SQL - Structured Query Language
- SRH - Sexual and Reproductive Health
- SRR - System Requirements Review
- SSA - Sub-saharan Africa
- SSL - Secure Sockets Layer
- SSN - Social Security Number
- SSO - Single Sign-On
- SSP - System Security Plan
- SST - Security Services Tools
- ST - The Office of Science and Technology within the PPL Bureau
- ST&E - Systems Test and Evaluation (for C&A)
- STD - Sexually Transmitted Diseases
- STS - Security Token Service
- SVE - Supervising Voucher Examiner
- SWAM - Software Asset Management
- STI - Sexually-transmitted Infections

T

- TasP - Treatment as Prevention (HIV/AIDS)
- TB - Tuberculosis
- TCB - Trade Capacity Building
- TCOC - Telecommunications Computer Operation Center
- TDY - Tour of Duty
- TIC - Trusted internet Connection
  - *or*, Time in Class
- TICAD - Tokyo International Conference on African Development
- TIP - Trafficking in Persons
- TLS - Transport Layer Security
- TOD - Tips of the Day
- TRACS - Tracking Audit Consolidated System
- TRB - Technical Review Board

U

- UAT - User Acceptance Testing
- UI - User Interface
- UN - United Nations
- UNECA - UN Economic Commission for Africa

- UNICEF - United Nations International Children's Ecumenical Fund
- USAID - U.S. Agency for International Development
- UNFPA - United Nations Family Planning Association
- UNDP - United Nations Development Programme
- URL - Universal Resource Locator
- USDA - US Department of Agriculture

V

- VCT - Voluntary Counselling and Testing
- VE - Voucher Examiner
- VEI - Violent Extremism and Insurgency
- VLAN - Virtual Local Area Network
- VMMC - Voluntary Medical Male Circumcision
- VoIP - Voice over IP, or Voice over Internet Protocol
- VPN - Virtual Private Network
- VTC - Video Teleconferencing
- VTR - Verification Test Review
- VTS - Voucher Tracking System

W

- WAN - Wide Area Network
- WBS - Work Breakdown Structure
- WFP - World Food Program
- WHO - World Health Organization
- WG - Working Group

X

- XML - Extensible Markup Language

Y

- YP@USAID - Young Professionals at USAID