

# The importance of national coordination – reflections from the Country Coalition approach in Lebanon

- **Country Coalition concept:** launched under the Convention on Cluster Munitions but equally applicable for the Anti-Personnel Mine Ban Convention.
- **Lead support state** partnering with an **affected state**, to help create an **in-country platform** to bring everyone together for regular and transparent discussions and updates on implementation.

# The structure of a Country Coalition

**Affected State:** represented by National Mine Action Centre

+

**Lead Support State:** represented by a local embassy

+

**Secretariat:** performed by an International organisation  
e.g. UNDP

+

**Participants:** national mine action centre, donors, clearance operators, UN, expert organisations.

- **Focus on one thematic area:** in case of BiH, survey and clearance
- **Documenting the process:** importance of having a **clear summary** and **action points** from each meeting, and circulating these.
- **Intended results:**
  - **Improved working environment**
  - **Improved efficiency**

