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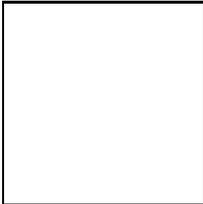
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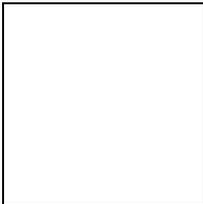
This month, as part of global efforts to celebrate International Women’s Day and the 20th anniversary of the Fourth World Conference on the Women’s Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action, we worked with many of our partners around the world to highlight the critical role access to cooking energy plays in achieving gender equality. There has been significant progress in women's empowerment over the past two decades, but more needs to be done, which is the message that came through loud and clear in this year's celebrations. While household energy is a key driver for improving women’s health, livelihoods and their environments, the Alliance and its partners are working to ensure that this momentum translates into policy actions and resource allocations by government and non-government actors around the world.

2015 is a significant year in global development, and the Alliance is continuing its efforts to influence the Post 2015-Sustainable Development Agenda...

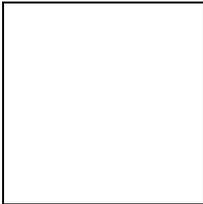
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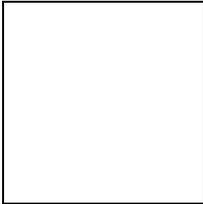
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- Radha's  
Message



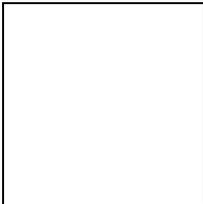
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Convenes Global  
Researchers  
Examining  
Impacts of Clean  
Cooking on  
Children's Health



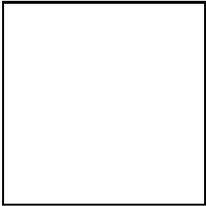
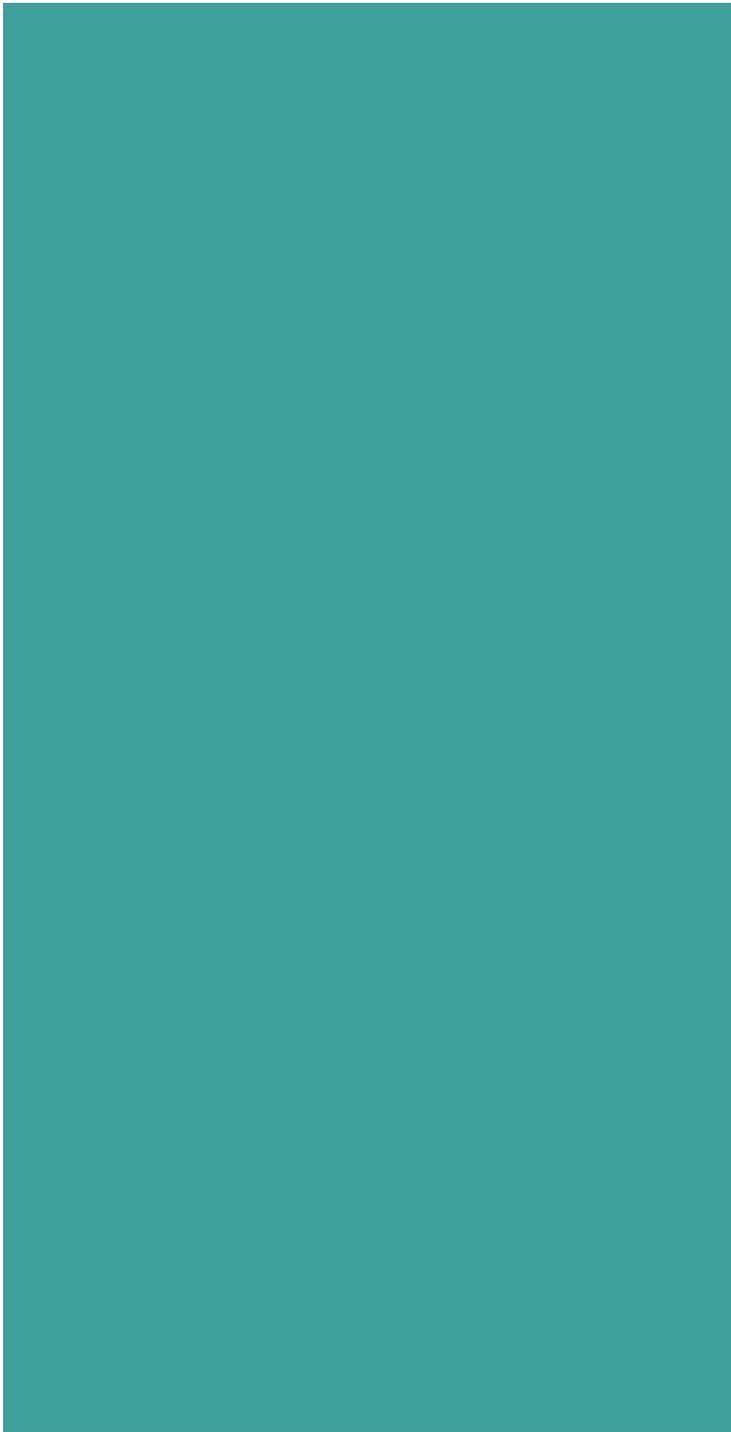
Alliance  
Announces Call  
for Proposals for  
Round II of  
Women's  
Empowerment  
Fund



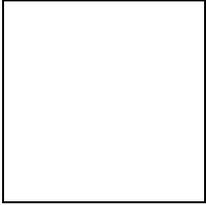
Greater  
Awareness for  
Energy Access is  
Focus for  
International  
Women's Day



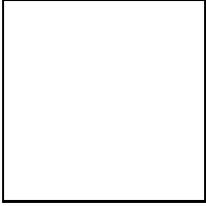
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Cookstoves and  
Fuels Critical to  
Success of Post-  
2015 Sustainable  
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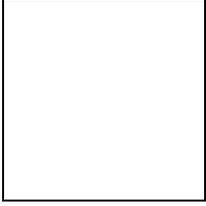
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Accelerating  
Access to Energy



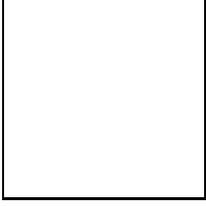
Partner Spotlight:  
Agri & Forestry  
Investment



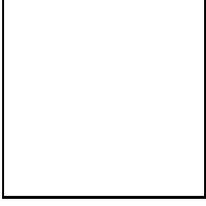
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Brings Clean  
Cooking  
Awareness to  
SXSW



Funding  
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Media Highlights



New Alliance  
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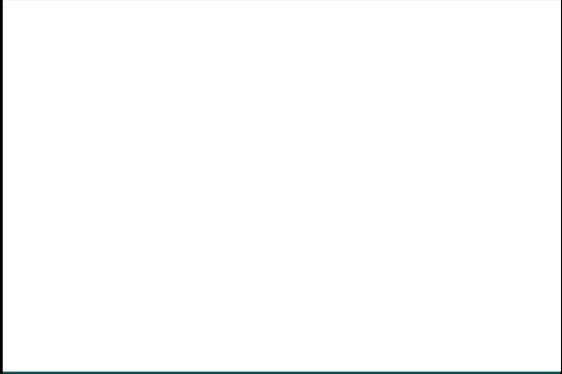
**PARTNER SPOTLIGHT: AGRI & FORESTRY INVESTMENT**



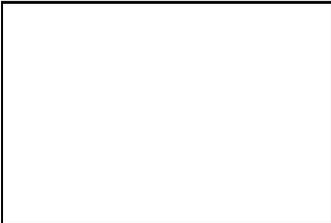
When sourcing agricultural residue, AFI selected palm kernel shells because they have high energy content.

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**PHOTO OF THE MONTH**



**PATI JINICH ANNOUNCED AS NEW CHEF CORPS MEMBER**



Internationally-known  
cookbook author, cooking  
teacher and chef of the  
Mexican Cultural Institute  
joins Alliance Chef Corps.

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### About the Global Alliance for Clean Cookstoves

The Global Alliance for Clean Cookstoves is a United Nations Foundation-hosted public-private partnership to save lives, improve livelihoods, empower women, and protect the environment by creating a thriving global market for clean and efficient household cooking solutions. The Alliance's goal calls for 100 million households to adopt clean and efficient stoves and fuels by 2020. The Alliance is working with over 1000 public, private, and non-profit partners to accelerate the production, deployment, and use of clean cookstoves and fuels in the developing world.

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