At her shop in Tanzania, small-business owner Justina Balankena now sells energy-efficient cookstoves. Female entrepreneurs like Justina can help drive adoption of cleaner, more efficient stoves and fuels. (Source: USAID)

Radha's Letter

Dear Friends,

I recently returned from London where we had our annual joint meeting of the Alliance Leadership and Advisory Councils. We reviewed trends in the sector, highlights and challenges during the year, and likely areas of focus for the Alliance secretariat moving forward.
We also discussed news that Leadership Council member António Guterres has been selected as the next Secretary-General of the United Nations...

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Alliance Leadership Council member António Guterres selected as next United Nations Secretary-General

Following the UN General Assembly’s selection of António Guterres as the next Secretary-General of the United Nations, Global Alliance for Clean Cookstoves CEO Radha Muthiah issued the following statement...

Alliance News

Alliance launches Woman Entrepreneur of the Year Award

The Woman Entrepreneur of the Year Award recognizes outstanding female leaders in the household energy sector who are advancing clean cooking solutions in emerging markets. Applications now being accepted, apply now!

Chef José Andrés and the Alliance take clean cookstoves to the White House
The Alliance joined Alliance Ambassador and world-renowned Chef José Andrés at South by South Lawn (SXSL), an event hosted at the White House to showcase innovation and technology that is helping tackle some of the world’s toughest challenges.

**Girls in Ghana push for increased access to clean cooking**

Alliance Leadership Council members Gina McCarthy and Hanna Tetteh met with the Ghana Girl Guides to highlight the advocacy work that the girls continue to do in their communities to encourage the use of clean and efficient cookstoves.

**Alliance joins WHO, CCAC to launch BreatheLife Campaign to help address air pollution**

In an effort to raise awareness for the 6+ million people that die annually from health complications due to air pollution, the Alliance joined WHO and CCAC for the official launch of the BreatheLife2030 campaign.

**World leaders’ personal chefs talk clean cooking in India**

The Alliance joined Alliance Chef Corps member and renowned Chef Sanjeev Kapoor to brief the world’s most exclusive gastronomic society, Le Club des Chefs des Chefs, as part of the group’s annual conference in India this week.

**What drives adoption of clean cooking solutions?**
Please join the Alliance, USAID, TRAction, CDC, and EPA, for a webinar highlighting the lessons learned from research and evaluation studies on adoption of clean cooking in Africa, Asia, and Latin America.

**Annual Stove Summit educates, engages, and inspires**

The Alliance co-sponsored the annual *Stove Summit* event in Oregon to share best practices around clean cookstoves, technology, food security, and livelihoods with more than 30 different nonprofits and charitable foundations.

**Send us your marketing and communications materials!**

If your organization has behavior change communication, awareness raising, or marketing materials related to clean cooking, send them to [knowledge@cleancookstoves.org](mailto:knowledge@cleancookstoves.org) to have them included in the forthcoming catalog.

**Sector News**

**NIH and Gates Foundation fund research to measure health benefits of clean cookstoves**

The National Institutes of Health with support from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation will fund a $30.5 million, multi-country trial over the next five years to measure the health impact of clean cookstoves.
Clean cooking essential to meeting the energy needs of impoverished people

The recently released Poor People’s Energy Outlook 2016 Report by Practical Action illustrates the importance of meeting cooking energy needs in order to eradicate energy poverty and to achieve the Global Goals.

WHO report confirms devastating effects of air pollution on health

92% of the world’s population lives in places where air quality levels exceed WHO limits, according to a report released last month. The report provides country-specific estimates on exposure, the detrimental impacts on health, and the major contributing sources.

Partner Spotlight

Biogas Experts Tropical

The mission of Biogas Experts Tropical is to develop business models focused on public sanitation blocks or units for densely populated urban and rural areas, agro industries, institutions, and waste management and treatment facilities...
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 1500 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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