



A woman prepares food while cooking a meal over an ethanol stove. Photo credit: Project Gaia

Radha's Message

Dear Friends,

Greetings from Bangladesh! Today I had the privilege of joining the State Minister for Energy and the Chair of the Parliamentary Standing Committees to discuss policy and regulatory actions to further help enterprises in the sector scale. It's wonderful to see that the government has prioritized clean cooking as a key element of achieving national and global development, health, and climate goals...



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A new study shows that shifting from traditional woodfuel to clean fuels such as ethanol for cooking may improve women's heart health.



Alliance News

[Measuring social impact in the clean cooking sector](#)

Measuring social impact in the sector is incredibly important. But without a well-calibrated tool, it has also been incredibly difficult – until now.



[Bangladesh government boosts behavior change communication campaign for cleaner cooking](#)

A behavior change communication campaign in Bangladesh received a marketing push when the government reached out to 15 million consumers.

[Empowered Entrepreneur Training Program launches in Rwanda](#)

Representatives from a number of Rwanda-based companies gathered in Kigali for a week-long course designed to educate and certify trainers in business, empowerment, and leadership curricula drawn from the Alliance's Empowered Entrepreneur Training Handbook.



[Alliance awards capacity building grants to strengthen fuel enterprises](#)

The Alliance has awarded capacity building grants to enterprises producing and distributing clean and more efficient fuels in Kenya, Rwanda, India, and Bhutan.

[What drives adoption of clean cooking? Investigators share emerging evidence](#)

The Alliance joined partners to host a group of investigators who shared recent findings and ongoing research on the drivers of adoption of clean cooking solutions, with a focus on sub-Saharan Africa, Asia, and South America.



[Alliance joins WHO for indoor air quality guidelines workshop](#)

The Alliance joined the World Health Organization in Addis Ababa at the Africa Workshop on Indoor Air Quality Guidelines to demonstrate how two Alliance tools - Household Air Pollution Intervention Tool and the Clean Cooking Catalog (HAPIT) - can be used to help policymakers make informed decisions about clean cooking interventions for their country.

Alliance Annual Progress Report coming soon!

Be on the lookout next week for the Alliance's annual look at progress in the sector.



[Fighting deforestation with clean cooking](#)

The New York Declaration on Forests released a report showcasing the impact of inefficient stoves and fuels on forests, while highlighting the role the Alliance and others have in leading in the fight against deforestation by providing greater access to clean and efficient cooking technologies around the world.



[Sweden makes large clean cooking investment in Uganda](#)

The Swedish embassy in Kampala announced a significant contribution to Uganda's CleanStart program under the United National Capital Development Fund. The donation is meant to set up a Renewable Energy Challenge Fund in Uganda.

[New report outlines opportunities for LPG use for cooking in humanitarian settings](#)

Written with support from the UN Refugee Agency, the report is aimed at promoting the safe and sustainable use of LPG for displaced populations.



Partner Spotlight

The Paradigm Project

The Paradigm Project is a social enterprise founded on the premise that business can be used as a tool for good.

Since 2008, Paradigm has been continually refining a replicable, scalable social business model that addresses seven Sustainable Development Goals.

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Take the annual partner survey!

Fill out the [2016 partner survey](#) today to help the Alliance better support and grow the clean cooking sector! This short 10-minute survey is a great opportunity to have your voice heard and share your thoughts on how the Alliance can best support the sector in the the coming years.

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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 1600 public, private, and non-profit partners to accelerate the production, deployment, and adoption of clean cookstoves and fuels in the developing world.

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