



## Deep Dive Workshop on Clean Cooking

5 June 2018 (Tuesday), 09.00 a.m. - 12.30 p.m.

### Background

There are still more than 2 billion people in the Asia-Pacific region that do not have access to clean cooking fuels and technologies<sup>1</sup>. The use of traditional biomass and conventional fuels has detrimental health impacts, especially on women and children, and contributes to environmental degradation and climate change. This DDW will discuss barriers to access clean cooking as well as various aspects of clean cooking interventions ranging from implementation of appropriate policy frameworks, financing and technical solutions as well as social and behavioral acceptance. Government officials from ADB's DMCs, civil society organizations, private sector and other experts will be invited to share their experiences in this field.

### Objective of the Workshop

The objective of the DDW is to provide an understanding of the reasons and barriers why clean cooking solutions have still not reached large portions of the population in Asia-Pacific and to discuss and present solutions and best practices of successful interventions and clean cooking policies in selected Asian countries. High impact government interventions will be showcased for possible replication in other countries. The crucial role of private sector, NGOs and civil society in the shift to clean cooking will also be highlighted and how this shift can be further supported through conducive policy frameworks.

### Agenda

| Time         | Activity   |
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| 9.00 - 10.30 | <b>Session 1:<br/>Best Practices and Solutions for Scaling up of Access to Clean Cooking</b><br><br>This session will discuss the barriers (information and awareness about impacts of traditional cooking, lack of private sector involvement, financing, technical and behavioral, distribution, |

<sup>1</sup> SEforALL Global Tracking Framework, 2017

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|                      | <p>affordability, etc.) and reasons why clean cooking activities/ technologies are not being adopted more quickly; as well as potential solutions to overcome those barriers and key elements that need to be taken into account when crafting policies and support schemes.</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ms. Marina Dubois, StovePlus program coordinator for Asia, GERES</li> <li>• Mr. Carlo Figà Talamanca, CEO, Sustainable Green Fuel Enterprise</li> <li>• Ms. Palak Patel, Operations Manager, Grassroot Trading Network for Women-SEWA</li> <li>• Ms. Nodira Amd, Programs Director, Nexus</li> </ul> <p>Moderator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ms. Shannon Cowlin, Senior Energy Specialist, Asian Development Bank</li> </ul>   |
| <p>11.00 – 12.30</p> | <p><b>Session 2:</b><br/> <b>Policy Interventions to Scale the Impacts of Clean Cooking</b></p> <p>This session will discuss policy implementation strategies, lessons on overcoming institutional and market challenges, incentives for increased private sector involvement, and efforts to coordinate cross-sectoral, public-private partnerships to generate demand, encourage behavior change, and strengthen clean cooking markets across a range of cooking fuels, such as LPG, electricity, pellets, and biomass and will also be touching on related clean heating issues and programs. The panel discussion will also highlight the impact and value of inter-governmental engagement through South-South cooperation that can support robust policy infrastructures around national economic, climate, and energy goals.</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mr. Ram Prasad Dhital, Executive Director, Alternative Energy Promotion Centre (AEPC), Nepal</li> <li>• Ms. Oyun Sanjaasuren, former Minister of Environment and Green Development, Mongolia</li> <li>• Ms. Sun Renhu, Renewable Energy Division, Rural Energy and Environment Agency, Ministry of Agriculture, China</li> <li>• Mr. Sunil Mathur, Executive Director (LPG), Indian Oil Corporation, India</li> </ul> <p>Moderator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ms. Riya Kumar, India Country Representative, Global Alliance for Clean Cookstoves</li> </ul> |

## About the Organizers

### **ADB's Energy for All Initiative:**

In response to widespread energy poverty in the Asia-Pacific region the Asian Development Bank (ADB) established the Energy for All Initiative (E4ALL) in 2008 with the aim of empowering the region's poor through greater access to energy. E4ALL supports ADB's own operations and collaborates with external partners to increase ADB's investments in access to energy projects and companies. This is line with ADB's energy policy 2009 that specifies "maximizing access to energy for all" as a priority for ADB's work in the energy sector.

### **Global Alliance for Clean Cookstoves:**

The Global Alliance for Clean Cookstoves (Alliance) is a public-private partnership hosted by the UN Foundation to save lives, improve livelihoods, empower women, and protect the environment by creating a thriving global market for clean and efficient household cooking solutions. We work with a strong network of public, private, and non-profit partners to accelerate the production, deployment, and use of clean and efficient cookstoves and fuels in developing countries.

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