

<http://www.un.org/partnerships/> April 4, 2013

## Latest News

### Consultation on Ethanol Cookstoves and Fuel at the UN

4 April 2013, New York



On April 4th, the UN Office for Partnerships (UNOP) was a co-host of The Public-Private Alliance Foundation (PPAF) consultation in support of the Global Alliance for Clean Cookstoves. The consultation focused on a pilot project supporting the commercialization of ethanol cook stoves and fuel in Haiti. The consultation brought together a range of actors to advance the expansion of the project.

This clean cookstove project is underway in towns of Southeast Haiti where growing sugarcane and alcohol production have a strong tradition. The high-proof alc



ohol distilled by small-scale Haitian sugarcane distilleries provides the fuel for the project stoves. Commercialization of the cookstoves and fuel takes advantage of existing equipment and technology and creates a new value stream for farmers and distillers. The project responds to a growing desire by Haitians at all levels to overcome the poverty, respiratory disease and deforestation trap of the country's heavy reliance on cooking with wood or charcoal.



The cookstoves can be used by a large cross section of the population including low-income mothers, community organization representatives, small business owners, government officials and by hotels. It is the first project of its kind in Haiti. PPAF works with collaborators to save lives, improve livelihoods, empower women, and protect the environment in the developing world at household and small business levels.

For further information on the PPAF and this initiative please visit the [website](#).