







## The charcoal industry in Africa

- >\$10B annual consumer spend
- \$25-\$35 / month per household in large cities
- 10-30% of average incomes
- 5M acres annual forest destruction
- Indoor smoke kills women & kids



## **Charcoal-based deforestation**

- Causes land degradation and flooding
- Soil erosion leads to food insecurity
- 10kg of wood = 1kg charcoal
- Major source of GHG emissions



## Cooking shouldn't kill

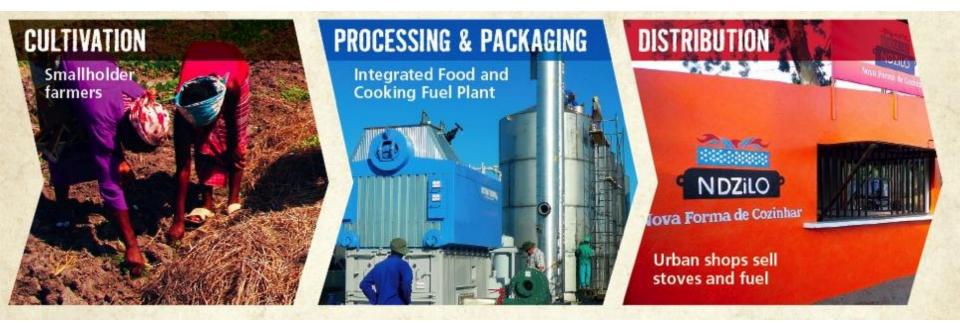
Indoor charcoal smoke = 2 packs of cigarettes per day

4 million early deaths per year from indoor air pollution World Health Organization

## **HELP KIDS QUIT!**

#### We operate across the value chain







Ethanol-based cooking fuel & Ethanol clean cookstove



- Clean, safe and fast
- Cheaper than charcoal
- > 20 litres / month / family
- 1 ton CO2 saved / month / family

## **Strategic Partners**



	<ul> <li>Impact Venture developer, head office in New York</li> <li>Ventures under development in Africa, Latin America and Australia</li> </ul>
novozymes	<ul> <li>Global leader in enzymes for bioenergy and agriculture</li> <li>\$2 billion revenue &amp; 6,000 people</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>US ethanol process technology contractor</li> <li>Built 6.7 billion gallons of ethanol capacity globally over last 30 yrs</li> </ul>
Bank of America 🖤 Merrill Lynch	<ul> <li>Leading global bank, \$50 billion environmental commitment</li> <li>Innovative financier in carbon and climate solution markets</li> </ul>
Soros Economic Development Fund	
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- Danish government-owned Development Finance Institution
- Invests in sustainable businesses in least developed countries

#### **Company-owned retail network**



Sales team undertakes in-home Customers visit shops to fulfil orders demonstrations and take orders and collect stoves & fuel

NDZiLO shop network being rolled out in low-income neighbourhoods

Customers return every day / week to buy more fuel



## Worlds First Sustainable Cooking Fuel Plant

#### Opened 17 May 2012



## Partnering with small farmers: Integrated food and energy agroforestry systems



Baseline farming is subsistence-only Lack of inputs/storage/markets High-yielding disease-free cassava, soya, beans, sorghum, pigeon peas



Reforestation belts around fields

Rural Impact:  $\uparrow$  incomes  $\uparrow$  nutrition  $\uparrow$  tree cover  $\uparrow$  soil health

**Solution Awareness Starting to Grow** 



BIOENERGY FINANCE deal of the year

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SBAU award at Rio+20 from Sir Richard Branson & UN Foundation

> Beyond Business Awards 2012







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London, Thursday 14 June 2012



- Sustainable Investment of the Year: Special Commendation

What can governments do to attract investment into the clean cooking fuel industry?

- Comprehensive policy review for clean cooking sector what are policy barriers? What are best practices from other countries?
- Create fast track process for licensing of clean cooking ventures
- Create a level playing field with charcoal by removing import duties on clean cookstoves and exempting cooking fuel from VAT
- Create fiscal incentives for clean cooking investors, recognizing the benefits delivered to rural development, forests and family health.



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