



## Rinehart touts Top End investment

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THE Northern Territory is one of the world's last great development opportunities of scale, says mining magnate Gina Rinehart.

Speaking at an invitation-only event in Darwin yesterday, the chairwoman of Hancock Prospecting joined the NT Government in extolling the state's virtues to investors, many from Asia. Chief minister Adam Giles travelled to China on a trade mission last week.

The \$35 billion Japanese-run Inpex liquefied natural gas project is winding down its construction phase and the NT is looking for other works to

diversify the economy. It is also working to capitalise on the federal government's focus on developing the north.

Mrs Rinehart said the NT was underutilised compared to the rest of Australia.

"(It) does indeed represent one of the world's last great development opportunities of scale," she said.