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Hi-Tech Agribusiness Fair to Wind Up Summit

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Territory agribusiness will be able to identify and directly access potential investment and trading partners when a delegation attends China's biggest agricultural fair this weekend.

The Territory agribusiness delegation will attend the 23rd China Yangling Agricultural Hi-Tech Fair (CAF) tomorrow in the Shaanxi Province which attracts more than \$1.6 million visitors and more than 30 countries.

Chief Minister, Michael Gunner, said while he and most of the trade delegation will return to Australia, the agribusiness delegation will stay on to help promote the Territory's willingness to be a trusted, long-term and stable supplier of agricultural commodities to China.

It will wind up the international trade, engagement and investment mission through Asia, which brought together key industry, business and government representatives to promote the Northern Territory.

"This trade mission has been a significant step towards ensuring the NT Government's relationship with our biggest trading partners is a long and productive one, and to the economic benefit of the Northern Territory," Mr Gunner said.

"The agribusiness delegation attending this weekend's fair will have an opportunity to present NT investment and trade opportunities and strengthen business relationships.

"Attending CAF will provide a platform for NT agribusiness to identify and directly access potential investment and trading partners." Mr Gunner said.

Yangling is a China state level agricultural hi-tech industries demonstration zone and this year's fair includes international agricultural cooperation and communication and features an international exhibit hall.

Local officials invited the Northern Territory to attend the CAF during a Chief Executive's delegation visit to Xi'an in January this year. The 23rd CAF will be held on 5-9 November in Yangling.

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