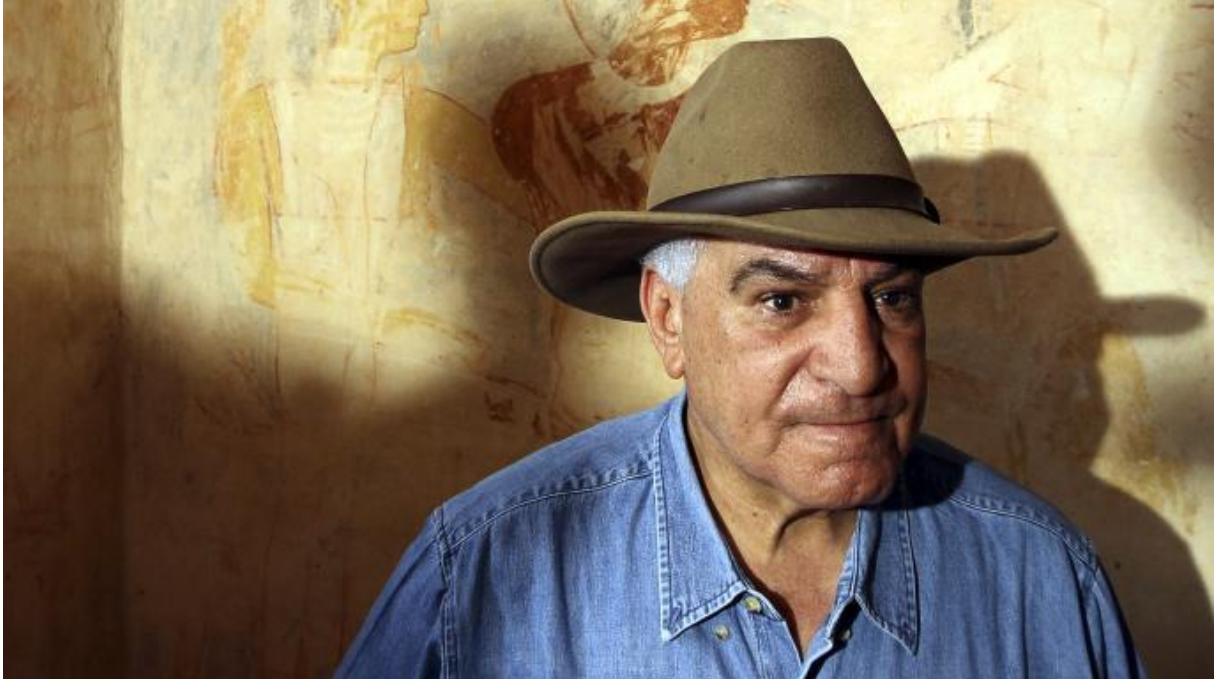


## Egypt's Indiana Jones sets off in pursuit of disappearing tourists



**Dr. Zahi Hawass, the country's self-styled Indiana Jones, has started a tour of the country with Anwar Sadat's widow to woo back foreigners.**

Dr Hawass, a celebrity archaeologist, said that he was making it his mission to turn the industry around. Next month the Stetson-wearing former antiquities minister is starting a private tour of the country's pharaonic sites with Jehan Sadat, the 82-year-old widow of the late President Sadat.



They hope that the two-week trip, run by *Archaeological Paths*, a company based in Poland, will be adopted by the tourism authorities, which Dr Hawass claims have not done enough to entice visitors back.

He described the celebrity pairing with "Egypt's first lady" as the magic formula to save the country. "I don't think there is anyone else working as hard to get tourists back to Egypt," he told The Times. "Out of everyone from Egypt, people know me and Mrs Sadat. People can trust us. I'm known all over the world. Mrs Sadat is a respected person and loves Egypt. I think me and her can help save the country."