

## AN EVALUATION ON OTTOMAN PERIOD COMMERCIAL BUILDINGS AT BALKANS ACCORDING TO EKREM HAKKI AYVERDI

Ekrem Hakkı Ayverdi was a researcher, made very important studies on Ottoman architecture, who was also an engineer, architect, historian and author. His studies about the presence of architectural structures in European and Balkan lands from Ottoman Period, are crucial sources for today's researchers. Ayverdi's studies gives us very important informations on commercial buildings, especially on caravanserais and inns at Balkan lands. Those informations principally critical, since most of those caravanserais and inns couldn't survive. Ayverdi attempted to detect those datas through field studies, supported with Evliya Çelebi's Book of Travel, Salnames and waqf archives. The present study aims to make a complete list of caravanserais and inns at Balkan Lands, mentioned by Ayverdi in his texts, than make an architectural and historical evaluation of those buildings.