

# EARLY OTTOMAN MILITARY AND ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER IN THE BALKANS

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Dr. Evgeni R. Radushev of the Department of History and Göksel Baş, PhD Candidate at the same department have published a new book titled “Early Ottoman Military and Administrative Order in the Balkans: A Muster Roll of the Voynuk Corps (Defter-i Esâmî-i Voynugân) in the Western Balkans from 1487”. The book was recently released by the Hungarian Academy of Sciences: Research Centre for the Humanities.

The voynuk military organization was established as the Ottomans advanced into the Balkans. Historical tradition dates them to the reign of Murad I (1362–1389). The Ottoman survey register published in the book reveals the exact number of voynuks in a strategically important region for the Ottoman offensive in the Western Balkans. It will help researchers consolidate their knowledge concerning the early military and administrative order in Ottoman Rumelia.