

Abstract

The Bachelor's thesis is focused on the description of Persia in the travelogue of Franciscan monk Odoric of Pordenone who travelled to Persia at the beginning of 14th century. The first chapter describes political and social environment in Persia under the rule of Mongol dynasty of Ilkhanids. The second chapter deals with Roman Catholic Church and missions that were sent to Persia and Mongolia. The main body of the thesis is focused on the life of Odoric and his travelogue. The next chapters deal with every mention of Persia in Odoric's travelogue and compare it with works written in the same époque of history. The main goal of the work is to judge whether Odoric's travelogue can be considered as a good source of knowledge of Ilkhanids' Persia.