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CAPInv. 1759: **hoi philoi**

I. LOCATION

i. Geographical area	Eastern Asia Minor
ii. Region	Cilicia
iii. Site	Hierapolis Castabala

II. NAME

i. Full name (original language)	οἱ φίλοι (Hicks 1890: 249, no. 23, l. 6)
ii. Full name (transliterated)	<i>hoi philoi</i>

III. DATE

i. Date(s)	i (?) - ii (?) AD
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IV. NAME AND TERMINOLOGY

ii. Name elements	Other:	social relations: <i>philoi</i>
iii. Descriptive terms	<i>φίλοι, philoi</i>	
Note	<i>philoi</i> : Hicks 1890: 249, no. 23, l. 6	

V. SOURCES

i. Source(s)	Hicks 1890: 249, no. 23 (i (?) - ii (?) AD)
Note	Other editions/commentaries: AGRW Jerphanion and Jalabert 1908: 473-5, no. 70
Online Resources	Hicks 1890: 249, no. 23 AGRW ID# 13389
i.a. Source type(s)	Epigraphic source(s)

i.b. Document(s) typology & language/script	Honorific inscription. Greek.
i.c. Physical format(s)	Hicks provides no description of the stone.
ii. Source(s) provenance	Found in one of the Christian churches.

VII. ORGANIZATION

ii. Leadership	A group of friends, <i>philoï</i> , erected a monument for their <i>prostates</i> (l. 6), the leader or patron of the group.
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X. ACTIVITIES

iv. Honours/Other activities	The <i>philoï</i> are honouring Onesikles, son of Diodoros, a poet of various genres, a writer of panegyrics and a lawyer, their <i>prostates</i> , the leader or patron of the group.
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XII. NOTES

i. Comments	The inscription is the only evidence of Onesicles. His date is unknown. Jones 2001: 211, proposes to date the inscription to "the first or perhaps the early second century of our era".
ii. Poland concordance	Poland B 451A
iii. Bibliography	Hicks, E.L. (1890), 'Inscriptions from Eastern Cilicia', <i>JHS</i> 11: 236–54, esp. 249, no. 23. De Jerphanion, G., and Jalabert, L. (1908), 'Inscriptions d'Asie Mineure (Pont, Cappadoce, Cilicie)', <i>MUSJ</i> 3: 433-77, esp. 473-5, no. 70. Jones, C.P. (2001), 'Greek Drama in the Roman Empire', in G. Nagy (ed.), <i>Greek Literature in the Roman Period and in Late Antiquity</i> , New York: 205-19.

XIII. EVALUATION

i. Private association	Possible
Note	The mention of the honorand as <i>prostates</i> (patron or leader of the group) may indicate that the <i>philoï</i> are not only friends but constituted an organized private body.
ii. Historical authenticity	Certain