

CAPInv. 1928: **hoi linemporoi**

I. LOCATION

i. Geographical area	Egypt
ii. Nome	Oxyrhynchites (U19)
iii. Site	Oxyrhynchus

II. NAME

i. Full name (original language)	οἱ λινέμποροι (P.Oxy. XII 1414 ll. 4 and 7)
ii. Full name (transliterated)	<i>hoi linemporoi</i>

III. DATE

i. Date(s)	271 / 272 AD
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IV. NAME AND TERMINOLOGY

ii. Name elements	Professional:	<i>linemporoi</i>
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V. SOURCES

i. Source(s)	P.Oxy. XII 1414 (AD 271/2)
Online Resources	P.Oxy. XII 1414 TM 21824
i.a. Source type(s)	Papyrological source(s)
i.b. Document(s) typology & language/script	Greek papyrus document; a record of proceedings of the Oxyrhynchus council

VIII. PROPERTY AND POSSESSIONS

iii. Income	Payment from council for work to be completed.
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XI. INTERACTION

i. Local interaction	The group has been contracted by the council to complete work for a fee.
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XII. NOTES

i. Comments	No explicit mention of a <i>synodos</i> or <i>koinon</i> , though the literature on this text has assumed that the negotiations regarding contracts between the council and groups of linen merchants and linen weavers deals with associations.
iii. Bibliography	<p>Alston, R. (2002) <i>The city in Roman and Byzantine Egypt</i>. London and New York.</p> <p>Gällnö, S. (2013) '(In)visible Spinners in the Documentary Papyri from Roman Egypt', in M. Gleba and J. Pásztokei-Szeőke (eds.), <i>Making textiles in pre-Roman and Roman times: people, places, identities</i>. Oxford: 161-70 (esp. 165).</p> <p>Gibbs, M. A. (forthcoming) "Collective action, trade associations and the state in Roman Egypt," in D. Rathbone and A. Wilson (eds.) <i>Documents and the Mechanics of Roman Rule</i>. Cambridge.</p> <p>Harland, Philip A. (2003), <i>Associations, Synagogues, and Congregations. Claiming a Place in Mediterranean Society</i>. Minneapolis: esp. 152-153.</p> <p>Venticinque, P. (2015) "Courting the Associations: Cooperation, Conflict and Interaction in Roman Egypt." In V. Gabrielsen and C. A. Thomsen (eds.), <i>Private Associations and the Public Sphere Proceedings of a Symposium held at the Royal Danish Academy of Sciences and Letters, 9-11 September 2010</i>. Copenhagen: 314-40.</p>

XIII. EVALUATION

i. Private association	Possible
Note	Though there is no mention of a <i>synodos</i> or <i>koinon</i> , it is not uncommon for a group to simply be identified as the linen merchants, weavers, etc. Alston 2002: 207-212 includes the group along with other associations as have others, though Gibbs and Adams have expressed concerns.