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CAPInv. 2130: thiasitai Bakchiastai hoi xyn Diogenei

I. LOCATION

i.	**Geographical area**	Aegean Islands
ii.	**Region**	Kos
iii.	**Site**	Haleis (deme)

II. NAME

i.	**Full name (original language)**	θιασῖται Βακχιασταὶ οἱ ξὺν Διογένει (IG XII.4 3133)
ii.	**Full name (transliterated)**	*thiasitai Bakchiastai hoi xyn Diogenei*

III. DATE

i.	**Date(s)**	i BC

IV. NAME AND TERMINOLOGY

ii.	**Name elements**	Personal:	*Diogenei* (ξὺν Διογένει, ll. 5-6)
		Theophoric:	*Bakchiastai* (Βακχιασταὶ, l. 4) Derived from the name/epithet of Dionysos Bakchos and the related festival of Bakch(e)ia.
iii.	**Descriptive terms**	θιασῖται	
	Note	*thiasitai*, l. 3: The term (implying a *thiasos*) refers both specifically to a cultic group and, more widely, to a collectivity.	

V. SOURCES

i.	**Source(s)**	IG XII.4 3133 (1st c. BC)
	Online Resources	n/a

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i.a. Source type(s)	Epigraphic source(s)
i.b. Document(s) typology & language/script	Boundary stone, horos (cf. ὅρος, line 1). Greek.
i.c. Physical format(s)	White limestone plaque.
ii. Source(s) provenance	Rebuilt in a house in Pili (ancient deme of Haleis on Kos).

VI. BUILT AND VISUAL SPACE

ii. References to buildings/objects	The point of reference of the boundary stone (ὅρος, line 1) is to private burial plots for the group: thekai (θηκᾶν, line 2).

VII. ORGANIZATION

i. Founder(s)	*Diogenes* (ξὺν Διογένει, ll. 5-6) This individual, mentioned in the name of the association, is either its founder or its leader.
Gender	Male
ii. Leadership	See above.

X. ACTIVITIES

iii. Worship	Part of the name of the group, *Bakchiastai* (Βακχιασταὶ, l. 4), derives from the name Bakchos, an alias or epithet of Dionysos, and the related festival of Bakch(e)ia.
Deities worshipped	Dionysos Bakchos.

XIII. EVALUATION

i. Private association	Certain
Note	On the basis of its name and by comparison with other highly similar boundary stones of the burial plots of associations near the city of Kos (more than 50 in number, cf. e.g. CAPI no. 1826), we can be confident that the group constituted a private association.

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