

CAPInv. 341: koinon (ton) Eikadeon

I. LOCATION

i. Geographical area	Attica with Salamis
ii. Region	Attica
iii. Site	Athens

II. NAME

i. Full name (original language)	κοινὸν (τῶν) Εἰκαδέων (IG II ² 1258, l. 11; IG II ² 2631, ll. 1-2; IG II ² 2632, ll. 1-2)
ii. Full name (transliterated)	<i>koinon (ton) Eikadeon</i>

III. DATE

i. Date(s)	342 - iii BC
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IV. NAME AND TERMINOLOGY

ii. Name elements	Cultic:	<i>Eikadeis</i> means 'those celebrating the twentieth day'.
	Other:	<i>Eikadeis</i> : number twenty; the name means 'those celebrating the twentieth day'.
iii. Descriptive terms	κοινόν, <i>koinon</i>	
Note	<i>koinon</i> : IG II ² 1258, l. 11; IG II ² 2631, ll. 1-2; IG II ² 2632, ll. 1-2	

V. SOURCES

i. Source(s) Note Online Resources	Agora XIX P26, B iii b, ll. 384-5 (342/1-339/8 BC) IG II² 1258 (324/3 BC) IG II² 2631 (iv-iii BC) IG II² 2632 (iv-iii BC) Lambert 1997: 68 no. F13A, 12-16, c. (330-325 BC) The text of IG II² 2631 is identical with that of IG II² 2632. Ed. pr. IG II² 1258: Ross 1846, iv-vi (<i>APMA</i> 3, 143 no. 704). <i>An.Ép.</i> 1853: 850 (<i>APMA</i> 5, 438 no. 2792). IG II² 2631: <i>Athenaion</i> 4 (1875) 121 no. 11 (<i>APMA</i> 1, 75 no. 381). IG II² 2632: <i>MDAI</i> (A) 51 (1926) 24. Lambert 1997, 68 no. F13A = IG II² 1596. Other publications IG II² 1258: Lueders no. 28; Michel no. 974; Schwenk 78 (SEG 35: 239); Ismard 2010, 433. IG II² 2631: Michel no. 743; Ismard 2010, 434. Cf. SEG 21: 571; SEG 40: 151ter; SEG 42: 130bis and 229; SEG 44: 251; SEG 46: 2363; SEG 48: 152; SEG 52: 131 and 253; SEG 56: 208; SEG 60: 197. <i>BE</i> 1999, no. 192; 2003, no. 55. IG II² 1258 IG II² 1596 IG II² 2631 IG II² 2632
i.a. Source type(s)	Epigraphic source(s)
i.b. Document(s) typology & language/script	Agora XIX P.26, 384-5: <i>Poletai</i> records. IG II² 1258: Honorary decree of the association for Polyxenos son of Diodoros for his initiative to prosecute for false witnessing (ἐπίσκηψις, <i>episkepsis</i>) some members of the group, in a property dispute. It was also decided to elect three members to help Polyxenos. Lambert 1997: 68 no. F13A, 12-6: Reference to the association in the <i>tabulae centesimarum</i>. IG II² 2631-2632: <i>Horos</i> of association's property. All texts are written in Greek.
i.c. Physical format(s)	IG II² 1258 is a pedimental marble stele. IG II² 2631-2632: Marble stele measuring 1,36x0,34m.
ii. Source(s) provenance	Agora XIX P26: 384-5 found in the Athenian Agora. Lambert 1997, 68 no. F13A, 12-6 was found in Athens. IG II² 2631 was found in Markopoulo (modern toponym), now in the Epigraphical Museum, EM 10084. IG II² 2632 was found in Koropi (modern toponym). IG II² 1258 was found in Markopoulo (modern toponym).

ii. References to buildings/objects	In IG II ² 1258, 23-5 there is a reference to a stele to be inscribed with the text of the decree and to be erected at the sanctuary of Apollon Parnessios.
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iii. Members	The members of the group are designated as Εἰκαδεῖς, <i>Eikadeis</i> , IG II ² 1258, 3, 5-8, 20.
iv. Officials	The officials of the association are designated as ἄρχοντες, <i>archontes</i> , IG II ² 1258, I. 22. In IG II ² 1596, I. 12 a certain βούλ[αρχος], <i>boul[archos]</i> is restored.
v. Other staff	The association is to elect a committee of three members to assist Polyxenos in the prosecution, IG II ² 1258, II. 12-5.
Known practice of appointment	The appointment of these three members is described with the verb to elect (ἐλέεσθαι, <i>helesthai</i> , IG II ² 1258, I. 12).

vi. Laws and rules	The members of the association probably had sworn an oath (ὄρκος, <i>horkos</i> , IG II ² 1258, 2) about their conduct, IG II ² 1258, ll. 1-3. Parker 1996: 336-7 argued that the curse following the oath was pronounced by <i>Eikadeus</i> , a (semi-)mythical founder-figure of the group. However, it is equally possible that the term describes an individual member of the group.
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VIII. PROPERTY AND POSSESSIONS

ii. Realty	The association had landed property (χωρίον, <i>chorion</i> , IG II ² 2631-32, ll.1) probably in modern Mesogaia and another piece of land (χωρίον, <i>chorion</i> , Lambert 1997: 68 F13A 14) in Salamis.
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IX. MEMBERSHIP

ii. Gender	Men
Note	The attested names of members are male names. Lambert 1997, 68 F13A, 13: Ὀλυμπιόδωρος Εὐμήλου, <i>Athenian Onomasticon</i> s.v. (59) IG II ² 1258: [Ε]παμείνων Ἀμεινίου, <i>Athenian Onomasticon</i> s.v. (3) Πολύξενος Διοδώρου, <i>Athenian Onomasticon</i> s.v. (4)
iii. Age	Adults

X. ACTIVITIES

iii. Worship	The association performed some sort of sacrifices, IG II ² 1258, ll. 6-7. Baslez 2004: 115 put forward the possibility that the group worshipped a hero-founder <i>Eikadeus</i> . The erection of the stele in the sanctuary of Ἀπόλλων Παρνήσιος, <i>Apollon Parnessios</i> does not imply that the association worshipped this deity.
Deities worshipped	hero-founder <i>Eikadeus</i> (?)
iv. Honours/Other activities	The association praises (ἐπαινέσαι, <i>epainesai</i>) Polyxenos, son of Diodoros and awards a golden crown (χρυσοῦς στέφανος, <i>chrysous stephanos</i>) to him for his righteoussness and the initiative to prosecute co-members, IG II ² 1258, ll. 17-21.

XI. INTERACTION

i. Local interaction	The association is utilizing the polis' judicial mechanism in order to protect its interests from some members who have given false testimony in a dispute about the association's property (Parker 1997: 337). Also it pays the 1% tax on sales/leases and erects boundary stones (ὄροι, <i>horoi</i>) to delimit its property.
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XII. NOTES

i. Comments	IG II ² 1258 is dated in the archonship of Hegesias.
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ii. Poland concordance	IG II ² 1258: Poland A62a IG II ² 2631: Poland A62b IG II ² 2632: Poland A62c(?) Lambert 1997, 68 F13A, ll. 12-6: Poland A62c
iii. Bibliography	Arnaoutoglou, I. (2003), Thusias heneka kai sunousias. <i>Private religious associations in Hellenistic Athens</i> . Athens: 138-9. Baslez, M.-F. (2004), 'Les notables entre eux. Recherches sur les associations d'Athènes à l'époque romaine' in Follet, S. (ed.) <i>L'Hellénisme d'époque romaine: Nouveaux documents, nouvelles approches (Ier s. a.C. – IIIe s.p.C.)</i> (Actes du colloque international à la mémoire de Louis Robert, Paris, 7-8 juillet 2000). Paris: 105-20. Baslez, M.-F. (2006) 'Entraide et mutualisme dans les associations des cités grecques à l'époque hellénistique' in Molin, M. (ed.) <i>Les régulations sociales dans l'antiquité</i> (Actes du colloque d'Angers 23 et 24 mai 2003). Rennes: 157-68. Ismard, P. (2010), <i>La cité des réseaux. Athènes et ses associations VIe – Ier siècle av. J.-C.</i> . Paris. Lambert, S. (1993), <i>The phratries of Attica</i> . Ann Arbor. Lambert, S. (1997), Rationes centesimarum. <i>Sales of public land in Lykourgan Athens</i> . Amsterdam: 199-201. Millett, P. (1991), <i>Lending and borrowing in ancient Athens</i> . Cambridge: 177. Papazarkadas, N. (2011), <i>Sacred and public land in ancient Athens</i> . Oxford: 183-6. Parker, R. (1996), <i>Athenian religion. A history</i> . Oxford. Ross, L. (1846), <i>Die Deme von Attika und ihre Vertheilung unter die Phylen nach Inschriften</i> . Halle. Rubinstein, L. (2000), <i>Litigation and cooperation. Supporting speakers in the courts of classical Athens</i> . Stuttgart: 88. Taylor, M. (1997), <i>Salamis and the Salaminioi. The history of an unofficial Athenian demos</i> . Amsterdam: 181.

XIII. EVALUATION

i. Private association	Probable
Note	The association's corporate character is more than certain since it owns property, has a distinct name, officials and internal affairs to administer. But its private character is disputed by Lambert 1997: 199-201 (and earlier in Lambert 1993: 365) who argued that it may have been a <i>genos</i> -like group (Parker 1996: 337 agrees that this is a possibility).