

CAPInv. 1321: **thiaseitai** (l. **thiasitai**)

I. LOCATION

i. Geographical area	Black Sea Region
ii. Region	North coast of the Black Sea
iii. Site	Tanais

II. NAME

i. Full name (original language)	θιασεῖται, l. θιασίται (SEG 58: 782-3)
ii. Full name (transliterated)	<i>thiaseitai</i> (l. <i>thiasitai</i>)

III. DATE

i. Date(s)	f. ii BC
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V. SOURCES

i. Source(s)	SEG 58: 782 (f. ii BC). SEG 58: 783 (f. ii BC). SEG 58: 784 (f. ii BC).
Note	Other publications: SEG 58: 784 = SEG 45: 1020 and 1021
Online Resources	SEG 45: 1020 SEG 45:1021 AGRW ID 9016 (SEG 58: 782) AGRW ID 9018 (SEG 58: 783)
i.a. Source type(s)	Epigraphic source(s)
i.b. Document(s) typology & language/script	All the documents are in Greek. SEG 58: 782: fragmentary honorary inscription by the [θι]ασεῖτ[αι], [<i>thi</i>]aseit[ai]. SEG 58: 783: fragmentary dedication by the θιασίται, <i>thiasitai</i> . SEG 45: 1020-1021 = 58, 784: fragmentary honorific decree, possibly by the [θιασ(ε)ῖται], [<i>thias(e)itai</i>] (or by the [δημος], [<i>demos</i>], so SEG 45: 1020).
i.c. Physical format(s)	SEG 58: 782: limestone block, broken on all sides. SEG 58: 783: two joining fragments of a limestone block, broken at the top, right and bottom. SEG 58: 784: three joining fragments of a limestone base.

ii. Source(s) provenance	Tanais
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VII. ORGANIZATION

ii. Leadership	Possibly one ἱερεύς, <i>hiereus</i> (if the restoration in SEG 58: 782, l. 1 [- - θι]ασεῖται οἱ περὶ ἱερέα - -], [- - θι]ασεῖται οἱ περὶ ἱερέα - -], is reliable).
iv. Officials	One [πατήρ συ]νόδο[υ], [<i>pater sy]nodo[u]</i> (SEG 58: 782, l. 2). One φιλά[γαθος], <i>phila[gathos]</i> (SEG 58: 782, l. 3). One [νε]ωκόρ[ος]/[<i>ne]okor[os]</i> (SEG 58: 782, l. 4).

IX. MEMBERSHIP

i. Number	Four names with broken patronymics are preserved in SEG 58: 783. One could add a remain from the patronymic of the <i>rogator</i> of the supposed decree of the association (SEG 58: 784).
ii. Gender	Men
Note	The attested names are male names.
iii. Age	Adults
iv. Status	A [ἐλλη]νάρχ[ης]/[<i>helle]narch[es]</i> (civic official) is mentioned in a lacunary context in SEG 58: 783, ll. 1-2.

XII. NOTES

i. Comments	A.I. Ivanchik argues that the dedication was made to the River God Tanais and that the name of the city was Emporion rather than Tanais (cf. CIRB 1237, l. 14, with Alexander Polyhistor FGrH 273 F 36). But Τανάει <i>Tanaei</i> (SEG 58: 783, l. 6) is not certainly the dative of the deity addressed in the dedication; in this fragmentary context we also could expect [ἐν] Τανάει, [<i>en] Tanaei</i> .
iii. Bibliography	Ivanchik, A.I. (2008), 'Tri nadpisi fiasov ellinisticheskogo vremeni iz Tanaisa (Novye dannye o greko-iranskom zvaimodejstvii v Tanaise dopolemonovoj epokhi) [Three Inscriptions of the Hellenistic Period of <i>Thiasoi</i> from Tanais. New Data on Greek-Iranian Relationship in Tanais before Polemo's Time]', <i>VDI</i> 2: 57-72. Ivanchik, A.I. (2008), 'Greeks and Iranians in the Cimmerian Bosphorus in the Second/First Century BC: New Epigraphic Data from Tanais', in S.M.R. Darbandi and A. Zournatzi (eds.), <i>1st International Conference Ancient Greece and Ancient Iran, Athens, 11-13 November 2006</i> . Athens: 93-107. Jajlenko, V.P. (2010), <i>Tysjacheletnij Bosporskij Rejkh [A Thousand Year Bosporan Reich (sic)]</i> . Moscow: 597-603. Zavojkina, N.V. (2012), <i>Bosporskie fiasy: mezhdru polisom i monarkhiey [Bosporan Thiasoi: Between Polis and Monarchy]</i> . Moscow: 105.

XIII. EVALUATION

i. Private association	Certain
Note	The terminology employed points to a private association.