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CAPInv. 307: **eranos**

I. LOCATION

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

II. NAME

i. Full name (original language)	ἐρανος (IG II ² 1366, l. 21)
ii. Full name (transliterated)	<i>eranos</i>

III. DATE

i. Date(s)	i AD
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V. SOURCES

i. Source(s)	IG II ² 1366 (I AD)
Note	Ed. pr.: <i>Palingenesia</i> , Sept-Oct 1868 (APMA 2: 93, no. 255.2) Other publications: Prrott - Ziehen II i 49; Foucart no. 38; Syll ³ 1042; Michel no. 988; LSCG 55 (SEG 25: 173); Lane, CMRDM 1.13. (SEG 28: 233); ARGW 53; GRA I 53 Cf. SEG 15: 116; 33: 149 and 1597; 39: 153; 42: 195; 47: 2340; 52: 1937; 55: 2106. BE 196: no. 138; 1988: no. 571
Online Resources	IG II² 1366 and ARGW ID 3179
i.a. Source type(s)	Epigraphic source(s)
i.b. Document(s) typology & language/script	Foundation of the cult of Men <i>Tyrannos</i> by Xanthos from Lycia (slave or freedman of Gaius Orbius), recording ritual requirements of any worshippers wishing to sacrifice. Also ritual provisions for any members. Written in Greek.
i.c. Physical format(s)	A stone with a large crescent on top, measuring 0.89x0.73m.
ii. Source(s) provenance	In a mine workshop in the area of Laurio, now in the Epigraphical Museum, EM 10557.

VII. ORGANIZATION

iii. Members	ἐρανισταί, <i>eranistai</i> , ll. 22, 25
viii. Obligations	Ritual obligations for <i>eranistai</i> in ll. 22-25: ὁμοίως δὲ παρέξουσιν οἱ ἐρανισταὶ τὰ καθήκοντα τῷ θεῷ, δε[ξιόν] σκέλος καὶ δοράν καὶ κοτύλην ἔλαιον καὶ χοῦν οἴνου καὶ να[στὸν χοινί]κιαδὸν καὶ ἑφέρα τρία καὶ κολλύβων χοίνικες δύο καὶ ἀκρό[αμα. ἐ] ὰν κατακλιθῶσιν οἱ ἐρανισταὶ καὶ στέφανον καὶ λημνίσ[κον], <i>homoios de parexousin hoi eranistai ta kathekonta toi theoi, de[xion] skelos kai doran kai kotylen elaiou kai choun oinou kai na[ston choini]kaion kai ephiera tria kai kollybon choinikes duo kai akro[ama, e]lan kataklithosin hoi eranistai kai stephanon kai lemnis[kon]</i> .

IX. MEMBERSHIP

iv. Status	Lane 1976: III 108 argues that according to the dedications, the cult of Men was not practiced by slaves but mostly by metics.
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X. ACTIVITIES

iii. Worship	Worshippers are allowed to form an association to honour Men <i>Tyrannos</i> .
Deities worshipped	Μῆν Τύραννος, Men <i>Tyrannos</i>

XII. NOTES

ii. Poland concordance	Poland A51aβ
iii. Bibliography	Baslez, M.-F. (2006), ‘Entraide et mutualisme dans les associations des cités grecques à l’époque hellénistique’, in M. Molin (ed.), <i>Les régulations sociales dans l’antiquité (Actes du colloque d’Angers 23 et 24 mai 2003)</i> , Rennes: 157-70. (SEG 56: 2070) Lane, E. (1976), <i>Corpus Monumentum Religionis Dei Menis (CMRDM)</i> . Leiden. Lauffer, S. (1979), <i>Die Bergwerkssklaven von Laureion</i> . Wiesbaden: 182-5, 191. (SEG 29: 138)

XIII. EVALUATION

i. Private association	Possible
Note	Although in the inscription it is clearly envisaged the possibility for the worshippers to form group(s) called <i>eranos</i> , it remains unclear the structural independence of these groups, see Lane 1976: III 14 and GRA I 53.