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CAPInv. 308: **eranos**

I. LOCATION

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

II. NAME

i. Full name (original language)	ἐρανος (IG II ² 1369, ll. 26, 40, 42)
ii. Full name (transliterated)	<i>eranos</i>

III. DATE

i. Date(s)	s. ii AD
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IV. NAME AND TERMINOLOGY

iii. Descriptive terms	σύνοδος, <i>synodos</i>
Note	<i>synodos</i> : IG II ² 1369, l. 32. See Baslez 2004: 112.

V. SOURCES

i. Source(s)	IG II ² 1369 (second half II AD)
Note	Ed. pr.: CIG 126 Other publications: Lueders no. 1; Prött - Ziehen II i 47; Foucart no. 20; Michel no. 1563; LSCG 53; GRA I 49; AGRW 8. Cf. SEG 25: 175; 31: 122; 44: 255; 45: 2351; 55: 1975. BE 1980: no. 223
Online Resources	IG II² 1369 and AGRW ID 3026
i.a. Source type(s)	Epigraphic source(s)

i.b. Document(s) typology & language/script	Law of eranistai (νόμος ἐρανιστῶν, <i>nomos eraniston</i> , l. 30), regulating admission, tenure of offices, and disciplinary matters, in Greek. The inscription is preceded by a metrical text, recording the date and the foundation of the group defined as ἔρανος, <i>eranos</i> ll. 24-29.
i.c. Physical format(s)	The stone is now lost.
ii. Source(s) provenance	It was last seen built in a church in Liopesi (mod. Paiania) in Mesogaia.

VII. ORGANIZATION

ii. Leadership	προστάτης, <i>prostatae</i> (l. 34)
iii. Members	Members are referred to as ἐρανισταί, <i>eranistai</i> , ll. 30, 32.
iv. Officials	<p>Chief <i>eranistes</i> (ἀρχιερανιστής, <i>archieranistes</i>, l. 35) Secretary (γραμματεύς, <i>grammateus</i>, l. 35) Treasurers (ταμίαι, <i>tamiae</i>, l. 36) Advocates (σύνδικοι, <i>syndikoi</i>, l. 36) όμολείτωρ, <i>homoleitor</i>, l. 38</p> <p>The officials of the group (with the exception of <i>prostatae</i> and <i>homoleitor</i>) are elected annually, l. 35. <i>Homoleitor</i> is appointed for life, l. 38: ὁμολείτωρ δὲ ἔ[ι]στω διὰ βίου αὐτοῦ, <i>homoleitor de e[is]tō d[ia] bioi</i>.</p>
vi. Laws and rules	<p>νόμος ἐρανιστῶν, <i>nomos eraniston</i> (l. 30). The law regulates the admission of new members establishing a scrutiny of the moral values of the candidate (πρὶν ἀν δοκιμασθῆ εἴ̄ ἐστι ἀ[γν]δς καὶ εὐσεβὴς καὶ ἀγ[αθ]ός, <i>prin an dokimasthe ei esti ha[gn]os kai eusebes kai aga[th]os</i>) by the <i>prostatae</i>, the chief <i>eranistes</i>, the secretary, the treasurers and the advocates, ll. 31-36. The term in office of different magistrates is also regulated, ll. 36-39 (see VII.iv).</p>
vii. Judicial system	Causing trouble (μάχας ή θορύβους κεινῶν φαίνοιτο, <i>machas e thorybous keinon phainoito</i>) in the meetings of the group is punished with expulsion (ἐκβαλλέσθω τοῦ ἔρανου, <i>ekballestho tou eranou</i>), a fine of 25 Attic drachmas or double lashes (i.e. 50) without any further decision to be required (πέτρα κρίσεως, <i>petra kriseos</i>), ll. 40-44; for this phrase see Wilhelm 1909: 149-50.
viii. Obligations	Members of the association had the duty to refrain from any trouble or fight, ll. 40-41 (see VII.vii).

VIII. PROPERTY AND POSSESSIONS

iii. Income	Sources of income of the association included the fine imposed to anyone initiating troubles or fights.
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XII. NOTES

i. Comments	In the metrical text preceding the law, the archonship of Tauriskos is mentioned. Raubitschek 1981 has suggested that this group is to be identified with the one recorded in SEG 31: 122 (CAPInv. 349); cf. Arnaoutoglou 2003: 83-4.
ii. Poland concordance	Poland A50

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XIII. EVALUATION

i. Private association

Certain

Note

The association displays most of the hallmarks of a private association: distinct name, membership, and organization.