

CAPInv. 304: **koinon ton eraniston**

I. LOCATION

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

II. NAME

i. Full name (original language)	κοινὸν τῶν ἐρανιστῶν (IG II ² 1291, ll. 15-16, 20, 27)
ii. Full name (transliterated)	<i>koinon ton eraniston</i>

III. DATE

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

iii. Descriptive terms	κοινόν, <i>koinon</i>
Note	<i>koinon</i> : IG II ² 1291, ll. 15-16, 20, 27

V. SOURCES

i. Source(s)	IG II ² 1291 (second half III BC)
Note	Ed. pr. <i>RA</i> 1865, 497. Other publications: Lueders no. 7; Foucart no. 27; GRA I 19. Cf. SEG 33: 1570; SEG 44: 255.
Online Resources	IG II² 1291 AGRW ID 3757
i.a. Source type(s)	Epigraphic source(s)
i.b. Document(s) typology & language/script	Greek honorific decree for Theon, son of Aischylion, <i>isoteles</i> for his performance as treasurer, as well as Dionysios the secretary, the stewards, and the <i>hieropoioi</i> .

i.c. Physical format(s)	Marble stele broken on top and bottom, measuring 0,23x0,15m.
ii. Source(s) provenance	Seen by ed. pr. in Athens, although he assumes a provenance from Piraeus, now in the Epigraphical Museum.

VII. ORGANIZATION

iii. Members	Members are called ἐρανισταί, <i>eranistai</i> , ll. 5-6, 9-11.
iv. Officials	Treasurer (ταμίας, <i>tamias</i> , l. 12). Secretary (γραμματεὺς, <i>grammateus</i> , l. 17). Stewards (ἐπιμεληταί, <i>epimeletai</i> , ll. 21-22). Hieropoioi (ἱεροποιοί, <i>hieropoioi</i> , l. 22).
vi. Laws and rules	There is a vague reference to the laws of the <i>eranistai</i> (ll. 5-7: [κατὰ τοὺς νό]μους τοὺς κοινούς τ[ῶν ἐρανιστῶ]ν, [<i>kata tous no]mous tous koinous t[on eranisto]n</i>) pertaining probably to the administration of a fund?, ll. 2-5: ὀρθῶς καὶ δικαί[ως διεχέρισε τὸ ἀργύριον τ[ὸ] κοινὸν δὲ παρακατέθεν?]το αὐτῶι οἱ ἐρανιστ[αί---], <i>ortho/s kai dikai[os diecheirise to ar]gyrion t[o] koinon ho parakatethento autoi hoi eranist[ai]</i> . Equally vague is the reference to an oath in l. 9, κατὰ τὸν ὅρκον ὃν ὤμοσεν, <i>kata ton horkon hon omosen</i> , sworn by an unknown person, perhaps related to the performance of his duties.

VIII. PROPERTY AND POSSESSIONS

i. Treasury/Funds	There is a rather vague reference to common funds in ll. 2-5: ὀρθῶς καὶ δικαί[ως διεχέρισε τὸ ἀργύριον τ[ὸ] κοινὸν δὲ παρακατέθεν?]το αὐτῶι οἱ ἐρανιστ[αί], [<i>ortho/s kai dikai[os diecheirise to ar]gyrion t[o] koino[n ho parakatethen]to autoi hoi eranist[ai]</i>]. The term ἔρανος, <i>eranos</i> in l. 7 may denote a special fund formed by the members' contributions. For a similar case see also IG II ² 1298, l. 20.
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IX. MEMBERSHIP

ii. Gender	Men
Note	Θέων Αἰσχυλίουνος ἱσοτελής <i>Athenian Onomasticon</i> s.v. (35). Διονύσιος, <i>Athenian Onomasticon</i> s.v. (950).
iii. Age	Adults
iv. Status	One is a foreign resident (metic) exempted from the payment of the particular duty (<i>metoikion</i>). The other remains unidentified.

X. ACTIVITIES

iii. Worship	On the basis of the divinities associated to each <i>hieropoios</i> (ll. 22-24), one may suppose worship by the group.
Deities worshipped	Zeus Saviour (Ζεὺς Σωτήρ, <i>Zeus Soter</i>), ll. 22-23. Herakles (Ἡρακλῆς), l. 23. Saviour (Gods) (Σωτήρες, <i>Soteres</i>), ll. 23-24.

iv. Honours/Other activities

Theon is honoured with a praise (ἐπαινέσαι, *epainesai*, l. 11) and an olive-leaves crown (θαλλοῦ στέφανον, *thallou stephanon*, ll. 13-4) because of his zeal (φιλοτιμία, *philotimia*) and benevolence (εὐνοία, *eunoia*). Similarly Dionysios the secretary is honoured in ll. 16-8. The stewards together with the *hieropoioi* are praised and honoured in ll. 21-5 for their virtue (ἀρετή, *arete*) and zeal (φιλοτιμία, *philotimia*).

XII. NOTES

ii. Poland concordance

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iii. Bibliography

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XIII. EVALUATION

i. Private association

Certain

Note

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