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## CAPInv. 351: [koinon t]on Sarapiaston

### I. LOCATION

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

### II. NAME

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| i. Full name (original language) | [κοινόν τ]ῶν Σαραπιαστῶν (IG II <sup>2</sup> 1292, ll. 21-2) |
| ii. Full name (transliterated)   | [koinon t]on Sarapiaston                                     |

### III. DATE

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| i. Date(s) | 215 / 214 BC |
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### IV. NAME AND TERMINOLOGY

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| ii. Name elements      | Theophoric:                                               | <i>Sarapiastai</i> : Their name is derived from the Egyptian god Sarapis. |
| iii. Descriptive terms | κοινόν, <i>koinon</i> (?)                                 |                                                                           |
| Note                   | <i>koinon</i> : IG II <sup>2</sup> 1292, l. 21 (restored) |                                                                           |

### V. SOURCES

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| i. Source(s)     | IG II <sup>2</sup> 1292 (215/4 BC)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Note             | Ed. pr. Osann, F. (1834), <i>Sylloge inscriptionum antiquarum Graecarum et Latinarum</i> . Leipzig: no. 61. Other publications: Le Bas 381; CIG I 120; Lueders no. 26; Foucart no. 24; GIBM I 21; Michel no. 1553; <i>HThR</i> 30 (1937) 188-97; <i>SIRIS</i> 2; RICIS 101/0201; GRA I 26; Bricault 2013: 298 no. 95b. Cf. SEG 28: 365; SEG 49: 183. <i>BE</i> 1938, no. 86; 1970, no. 260. |
| Online Resources | <a href="#">IG II<sup>2</sup> 1292</a><br><a href="#">AGRW ID 3856</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |

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| i.a. Source type(s)                         | Epigraphic source(s)                                                                                                                                             |
| i.b. Document(s) typology & language/script | Greek honorary decree for the magistrates of the association, since they have performed their duties without blemish, followed by a fragmentary list of members. |
| i.c. Physical format(s)                     | Marble stele broken on top left, measuring 0,355x0,292m.                                                                                                         |
| ii. Source(s) provenance                    | Found in Athens, now in the British Museum, Elgin collection 21.                                                                                                 |

## VI. BUILT AND VISUAL SPACE

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| ii. References to buildings/objects | There is a reference to the stone slab (στήλη λιθίνη, <i>stele lithine</i> , ll. 25-6) on which the decree shall be inscribed. |
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## VII. ORGANIZATION

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| iii. Members         | The members of the group are called Σαραπασταί, <i>Sarapiastai</i> , ll. 2, 10, 12-3, 17.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| iv. Officials        | Chief- <i>eranistria</i> (προερανίστρια, <i>proeranistria</i> , ll. 23, 29).<br>Steward (ἐπιμελητής, <i>epimeletes</i> , ll. 3-4).<br>Treasurer (ταμίας, <i>tamias</i> , ll. 2, 28, 31).<br>Secretary (γραμματεὺς, <i>grammateus</i> , ll. 3, 33).<br>ιεροποιοὶ ( <i>hieropoioi</i> , l. 14).<br>The duties of chief- <i>eranistria</i> included the performance of sacrifices, ll. 24-5, see Arnaoutoglou 1994.                                                                                                                                                               |
| vii. Judicial system | The honoured magistrates have been scrutinized for their term of office, ll. 6-7: [καὶ τὰς] εὐ[θύνας] δεδόκα[σιν] περὶ [πάντ]ων παρὰ τὸν [εὐθύνον], [ <i>kai tas eu[thynas] dedoka[sin] peri [pant]on para ton [euthynon]</i> ].<br>The <i>hieropoioi</i> omitting to proclaim the honours or the crown are liable to a fine, ll. 15-7: ἐὰν δὲ μὴ ἀναγορεύσωσιν ἢ μὴ στε[φ]ανώσωσι, ἀποτεισάτω ἕκαστος αὐτῶν — —   δ]ραχμὰς ἱερὰς τοῖς Σαραπασταῖς, <i>ean de me anagoreusos[in e me stepha]nososi, apoteisato hekastos auf[ton] --- d[rachmas hieras tois Sarapiastais]</i> . |

## VIII. PROPERTY AND POSSESSIONS

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| i. Treasury/Funds | The association had a treasury designated as κοινόν, <i>koinon</i> in ll. 27-8: [τὸ] δὲ γενόμενον εἰς ταῦτα ἀνάλω[μα μερίσαι ἐκ   τοῦ κοινοῦ, [ <i>to] de genomenon eis tauta analo[ma merisai ek t]ou koinou</i> ]. |
| iii. Income       | The association's preserved income was derived mainly from fines as the one prescribed in ll. 15-7.                                                                                                                  |

## IX. MEMBERSHIP

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| ii. Gender | Men<br>Women |
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| <b>Note</b>     | Men: 8<br>Women: 1<br><br>Νικήππη, <i>Athenian Onomasticon</i> s.v. (5).<br>Ζώπυρος, <i>Athenian Onomasticon</i> s.v. (145).<br>Θεοφάνης, <i>Athenian Onomasticon</i> s.v. (38).<br>Σέλευκος, <i>Athenian Onomasticon</i> s.v. (40).<br>Δωρίων, <i>Athenian Onomasticon</i> s.v. (12).<br>Εὐβουλίδης, <i>Athenian Onomasticon</i> s.v. (48).<br>Ὀλύμπιος, <i>Athenian Onomasticon</i> s.v. (44) with Matricon-Thomas (2012: 45 n.18). |
| <b>iii. Age</b> | Adults                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |

## X. ACTIVITIES

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| <b>iii. Worship</b>                 | The association performed sacrifices (θυσίαι, <i>thysiai</i> , ll. 13-5 and 23-5).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| <b>iv. Honours/Other activities</b> | The magistrates are praised (ἐπαινέσαι, <i>epainesai</i> , ll. 10-1, 22) and honoured with an olive-leaves crown with a ribbon (θαλλοῦ [στεφάνωι   σὺν τ]αινιδίωι, <i>thallou [stephanoi syn t]ainidioi</i> , ll. 10-2). Nikippe the <i>proerastria</i> is praised and crowned (ἐπαινέσαι δὲ κα[ὶ] στεφα[ν]ῶσαι, <i>epainesai de ka[i] stephan]osai</i> , ll. 22-3, with no reference to the kind of crown). |

## XII. NOTES

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| <b>ii. Poland concordance</b> | Poland A34                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <b>iii. Bibliography</b>      | <p>Arnautoglou, I. (1994), 'Archeranistes and its meaning in inscriptions', <i>ZPE</i> 104: 107-10.</p> <p>Arnautoglou, I. (2003), <i>Thusias heneka kai sunousias. Private religious associations in Hellenistic Athens</i>. Athens.</p> <p>Bricault, L. (2013), <i>Les cultes isiaques dans le monde greco-romain</i>. Paris.</p> <p>Bricault, L. (2014), 'Les Sarapiastes', in G.Tallet and Chr. Zivie-Coche (eds.), <i>Le myrte et la rose. Melanges offerts a Francoise Dunand par ses eleves, collegues et amis</i>. Montpellier: 41-8.</p> <p>Dow, St. (1937), 'The Egyptian cults in Athens', <i>HThR</i> 30: 188-97.</p> <p>Dunand, Fr. (1973), <i>Le culte d'Isis dans le bassin oriental de la Méditerranée</i>. Leiden.</p> <p>Fraser, P. (1960), 'Two studies on the cult of Sarapis in the Hellenistic world', <i>OAth</i> 3: 1-54.</p> <p>Matricon-Thomas, E. (2012), 'Le culte d'Isis a Athenes: entre aspect 'universel' et specificites locales' in L. Bricault &amp; M. J. Versluys (eds), <i>Egyptian gods in the Hellenistic and Roman Mediterranean: Image and reality between local and global</i>. Palermo: 41-66.</p> <p>Mikalson, J. (1998), <i>Religion in Hellenistic Athens</i>. Los Angeles.</p> <p>Pakkanen, P. (1996), <i>Interpreting early Hellenistic religion. A study based on the mystery cult of Demeter and the cult of Isis</i>. Helsinki: 54-63.</p> <p>Parker, R. (1996), <i>Athenian religion. A history</i>. Oxford.</p> |

## XIII. EVALUATION

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| <b>i. Private association</b> | Certain                                                                                                                                |
| <b>Note</b>                   | The association displays all the hallmarks of a private association: distinct name, membership, organization, property and durability. |