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CAPInv. 384: hoi bourseis

I. LOCATION

i. Geographical area	Western Asia Minor
ii. Region	Lydia
iii. Site	Thyateira

II. NAME

i. Full name (original language)	οἱ βουρσεῖς (TAM V.2 986, l. 7)
ii. Full name (transliterated)	<i>hoi bourseis</i>

III. DATE

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

ii. Name elements	Professional:	Tanners
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V. SOURCES

i. Source(s)	TAM V.2 986 (2nd. quarter of III AD)
Note	See also: Dittmann-Schöne III.1.12
Online Resources	TAM V.2 986
i.a. Source type(s)	Epigraphic source(s)
i.b. Document(s) typology & language/script	Honorific inscription dedicated by the association to an important member of the Roman elite. Greek.
i.c. Physical format(s)	Base (?)

ii. Source(s) provenance

Thyateira

VIII. PROPERTY AND POSSESSIONS**i. Treasury/Funds**

The association must have funds to be able to erect honorific inscriptions.

X. ACTIVITIES**iv. Honours/Other activities**

The association honours M. Gaios Likinios Rouphinos, vir clarissimus, consular, friend of the emperor, founder and benefactor (κτίστην καὶ εὐεργέτην, ktistes kai euergetes, ll. 4-5) of the fatherland. The same person is honoured by the gardeners of Thyateira (Dittmann-Schöne III.1.16).

XI. INTERACTION**i. Local interaction**

Since the association erects an honorific inscription for a founder and *euergetes* of the fatherland, it is presumable that it has interaction with the city. On the importance of honorific inscriptions set up by private associations in order to commemorate the relationships that they maintained with the leading members of society cf. van Nijf 1997: 73f.

XII. NOTES**i. Comments**

This inscription is one of the cases where there is no concrete benefaction by the honorand to the association, and may be explained just as a way for the association to show its relationship with the leading members of the city. Cf. van Nijf, op. cit.

iii. Bibliography

Dittmann-Schöne, I. (2010), *Die Berufsvereine in den Städten des kaiserzeitlichen Kleinasien*. 2nd. ed. Regensburg: 189.
van Nijf, O. (1997), *The civic world of professional associations in the Roman East*. Amsterdam: 73f.

XIII. EVALUATION**i. Private association**

Certain

Note

It is a workmanship-association.