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CAPInv. 697: he synodos Neikomedeon (l. Nikomedeon) lithoxoon

I. LOCATION

i.	**Geographical area**	Thrace
ii.	**Region**	Inland Thrace
iii.	**Site**	Nicopolis ad Istrum

II. NAME

i.	**Full name (original language)**	ἡ σύνοδος Νεικομηδέων (l. Νικομηδέων) λιθοξόων (IGBulg II 674, ll. 6-8)
ii.	**Full name (transliterated)**	*he synodos Neikomedeon (l. Nikomedeon) lithoxoon*

III. DATE

i.	**Date(s)**	Imp.

IV. NAME AND TERMINOLOGY

ii.	**Name elements**	Ethnic:	*Nikomedeis*
		Professional:	λιθοξόοι, *lithoxooi* (=stonecutters)
iii.	**Descriptive terms**	σύνοδος, *synodos*	
	Note	*synodos*: IGBulg II 674, l. 6	

V. SOURCES

i.	**Source(s)**	IGBulg II 674 (Imp.)
	Online Resources	IGBulg II 674 and AGRW ID 14140
i.a.	**Source type(s)**	Epigraphic source(s)
i.b.	**Document(s) typology & language/script**	Dedication in Greek

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i.c. Physical format(s)	Limestone altar (1.70 x 0.69)
ii. Source(s) provenance	Nicopolis ad Istrum, though date and exact place of finding unknown.

VI. BUILT AND VISUAL SPACE

ii. References to buildings/objects	IGBulg II 674 mentions a βωμός, *bomos* (l. 8), offered to the association.

IX. MEMBERSHIP

i. Number	Two persons mentioned in the text (if the dedicators were indeed members of the association).
ii. Gender	Men
Note	The two mentioned members bear male names.
iv. Status	This was the professional association of stonecutters, originating from Nikomedia (Bithynia) and working at Nicopolis ad Istrum.

X. ACTIVITIES

iii. Worship	Dedication to Heracles.
Deities worshipped	Heracles

XI. INTERACTION

ii. Interaction abroad	For the important role held by Nicomedia in the marble trade, see recently Avram 2013: 280, no. 34 with further bibliography.

XII. NOTES

i. Comments	For a possible association of *Nikomedeis* at Perinthos, see CAPInv. 806.
iii. Bibliography	Avram, A. (2013), 'Quelques remarques sur la terminologie grecque de la tombe dans les inscriptions de Thrace et de Mésie Inférieure', in M.G. Parissaki (ed.), *Thrakika Zetemata II. Aspects of the Roman Province of Thrace*, Athens: 271-87.

XIII. EVALUATION

i. Private association	Certain

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Note	As indicated by its name, this was a private association of professionals.

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