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CAPInv. 96: Athanaistan Lindiastan (koinon)

I. LOCATION

i. Geographical area	Aegean Islands
ii. Region	Rhodes
iii. Site	Lindos

II. NAME

i. Full name (original language)	Ἀθαναϊστᾶν Λινδιαστᾶν (κοινόν)
ii. Full name (transliterated)	<i>Athanaistan Lindiastan (koinon)</i>

III. DATE

i. Date(s)	10 AD
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IV. NAME AND TERMINOLOGY

ii. Name elements	Cultic:	From Athana (Athena), the principal divinity of Lindos, but also one with a pan-Rhodian cult. See D. Morelli, <i>I culti in Rodi</i> (Pisa, 1959): 2-13.
	Ethnic:	Primarily from the ethnic usually accompanying the name of Athana (Ἀθάνα Λινδία, <i>Athana Lindia</i>), but also with a clear reference to the city-state of Lindos and its territory.
iii. Descriptive terms	κοινόν, <i>koinon</i>	
Note	Even though it is not explicitly attested, the word <i>koinon</i> is clearly implied. Moreover, if a firm connection could be made -- which at present can not -- to the ἑρανιστᾶν Ἀθαναϊστᾶν Λινδ[ι]αστ[ᾶ]ν (κοινόν), <i>eranistan Athanaistan Lind[i]ast[a]n (koinon)</i> of ASAA n.s. 1-2 (1939-1940) 165, no. 19, ll. 15-16 (city of Rhodes, 3rd cent. BC), then <i>eranistai</i> would have been added to the descriptive terms of this association. Cf. I.Lindos II, col. 798.	

V. SOURCES

i. Source(s)	I.Lindos II 391, l. 35 I.Lindos II 392a, l. 15 I.Lindos II 392b, l. 18
Note	It is the first of these inscriptions that preserves the name of the association in full.
Online Resources	I.Lindos II 391 I.Lindos II 392a-b
i.a. Source type(s)	Epigraphic source(s)
i.b. Document(s) typology & language/script	I.Lindos II 391: Honorary dedication I.Lindos II 392a-b: Honorary dedications In Greek
i.c. Physical format(s)	I.Lindos II 391 is a rectangular stele of Lartian marble. The upper right corner is broken. The upper and lower surfaces joined with other blocks. On the lateral faces there is a protruding decorative fillet. I.Lindos II 392, too, is a rectangular stele of Lartian marble carrying text (a) above text (b).
ii. Source(s) provenance	Both stelai have been found on the acropolis of Lindos.

X. ACTIVITIES

iv. Honours/Other activities	Our association honoured Lapheides son of Lapheides, the priest of Athana Lindia of AD 10, twice, each time with a golden wreath (χρυσέω στεφάνῳ], <i>chryseo stephano</i>) (I.Lindos II 39, l. 33), his wife Nikasa, also twice and each time with a golden wreath (ibid. 392a, l. 14), and their son Lapheides, also twice and each time with a golden wreath (ibid. 392b, l. 17-18). In both stelai, the <i>Athanaistan Lindiastan (koinon)</i> is listed together with other honouring bodies (public as well as private), which, in addition to other private associations, include the Rhodian <i>demos</i> and the Lindian <i>demos</i> : for the full list, see table in Lindos II col. 747.
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XI. INTERACTION

i. Local interaction	The <i>Athanaistan Lindiastan (koinon)</i> is listed together with a number of important public bodies (e.g. the Rhodian <i>demos</i> , the Lindian <i>demos</i>) and private associations, all of which (including our association) had awarded honours to members of a very prominent Lindian family: Lapheides son of Lapheides, priest of Athana Lindia of AD 10, his wife Nikasa and their son Lapheides: see I.Lindos II, cols. 41-2, stemma 14.
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XII. NOTES

i. Comments	One might be tempted to connect the association of our entry to the ἐρανιστῶν Ἀθαναϊστῶν Λινδ[ι]αστ[ᾱ]ν (κοινόν), <i>eranistan Athanaistan Lind[i]ast[a]n (koinon)</i> of ASAA n.s. 1-2 (1939-1940) 165, no. 19, ll. 15-16 (from the city of Rhodes, 3rd cent. BC), which would make this an association of a very long life span (so G. Pugliese Carratelli in ibid. p. 177). However, more evidence is needed to prove such a connection. Cf. I. Lindos II col. 798.
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XIII. EVALUATION

i. Private association

Certain

Note

The elements making up the name of this association render it certain that it was a private one.