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CAPInv. 137: hoi philoploi

I. LOCATION

i. Geographical area	Western Asia Minor
ii. Region	Phrygia
iii. Site	Hierapolis

II. NAME

i. Full name (original language)	οἱ φιλόπλοι (Ritti 2006: 48-51, l. 10)
ii. Full name (transliterated)	<i>hoi philoploi</i>

III. DATE

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

ii. Name elements	Other:	Activity: "lovers of arms"
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V. SOURCES

i. Source(s)	Ritti 2006: 48-51 (ii - iii AD)
Note	See also: SEG 56: 1501
i.a. Source type(s)	Epigraphic source(s)
i.b. Document(s) typology & language/script	Epitaph. Greek.
i.c. Physical format(s)	Marble sarcophagus
ii. Source(s) provenance	Necropolis of Hierapolis

VI. BUILT AND VISUAL SPACE

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| i. Archaeological remains | Marble sarcophagus |
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VIII. PROPERTY AND POSSESSIONS

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| iv. Endowments | The association is the second option chosen by a donor for coronating his grave. If the leadership of the ἐργασία τῶν λινωτῶν, <i>ergasia ton linoton</i> (l. 7) does not fulfill its obligations (distributing money to the members on a certain date), they shall give twice the amount to the φιλόπλοι, <i>philoploi</i> , so that they can carry out the coronation. |
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XI. INTERACTION

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| i. Local interaction | The association is the second option after the ἐργασία τῶν λινωτῶν, <i>ergasia ton linoton</i> , which may point to a certain rivalry. |
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XII. NOTES

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| i. Comments | Φιλόπλοι, <i>Philoploi</i> , are known from other cities (cf. the evidence collected by Ritti and SEG). Ritti thinks of a "club of fans of gladiatorial games". |
| iii. Bibliography | Ritti, T. (2006), <i>An Epigraphic Guide to Hierapolis (Pamukkale)</i> . Istanbul. |

XIII. EVALUATION

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| i. Private association | Probable |
| Note | Since the ἐργασία τῶν λινωτῶν, <i>ergasia ton linoton</i> is mentioned in a parallel position in the inscription, it is reasonable to suppose that the φιλόπλοι, <i>philoploi</i> , were an association as well. |
| ii. Historical authenticity | Certain. |