

CAPInv. 1556: koinon e[ra]ni[ston]

I. LOCATION

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

II. NAME

i. Full name (original language)	κοινὸν ἐ[ρα]νι[στών] (Meyer 2010: nos. 2-9, Face B, col. I, ll. 2-4)
ii. Full name (transliterated)	<i>koinon e[ra]ni[ston]</i>

III. DATE

i. Date(s)	335 - 324 BC
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IV. NAME AND TERMINOLOGY

iii. Descriptive terms	κοινόν, <i>koinon</i>
Note	<i>koinon</i> : Meyer 2010: nos. 2-9, Face B, col. I, ll. 2

V. SOURCES

i. Source(s)	Meyer 2010: nos. 2-9, Face B, col. I, ll. 2-4 (335 - 324 BC)
Note	Other publications: IG II ² 1556. Cf. <i>BE</i> 1946/7, no. 87a; 1960, no. 137; 1990, no. 288.
Online Resources	IG II² 1556
i.a. Source type(s)	Epigraphic source(s)
i.b. Document(s) typology & language/script	List of dedications of bowls (φιάλαι, <i>phialai</i>) worth 100 dr., in Greek.
i.c. Physical format(s)	Marble stele broken in three pieces, measuring 0,18x0,22x0,115m.

ii. Source(s) provenance	Found in the Acropolis, now in EM 7947.
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VII. ORGANIZATION

ii. Leadership	It is likely that an unknown individual was representing the group in the legal proceedings.
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XI. INTERACTION

i. Local interaction	The association was involved in a legal dispute, of an uncertain nature (<i>graphe apostasiou</i> or any other dispute?), with a non-citizen (metic, freedman or freedwoman). The outcome of the trial was favourable for the individual.
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XII. NOTES

i. Comments	<i>Koina eraniston</i> are always accompanied by an individual's name (X son of X' of the deme X and <i>koinon eraniston</i>). This pattern suggests to me that the individual mentioned by name, alongside the <i>koinon eraniston</i>, had a close relation with the <i>koinon</i>. He may not have been necessarily an official of the group but an ad hoc appointed legal representative, like the individuals to be elected by the <i>Eikadeis</i> in IG II² 1258 (CAPInv. 341) to represent the interests of the group in a law court, or Aischines of Melite for the <i>koinon orgeonon</i> in Agora 19, P5, 30-31 (CAPInv. 245). In these cases it is noteworthy that the <i>koinon</i> remains anonymous. Nevertheless, there are two inscriptions in which the <i>koinon eraniston</i> displays its nomenclature: 1) in CAPInv. 1558 the structure is as follows: X and the <i>koinon eraniston</i> those with Z son of Y. 2) in CAPInv. 1559 a slight variation is recorded: Z and the <i>koinon eraniston</i> those with Z son of Y. This suggests a limited permanence and a variation as to the person who is representing the group. It is possible to argue that <i>kai</i> should not be seen as suggesting an organic link but simply simultaneous appearance in the legal proceedings. However, similar cases were recorded without a <i>kai</i> by an apposition of personal names (see Meyer 2010: nos 2-9, A, III, 62-66; Face A, V; no. 19, A, III, 29-34).
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XIII. EVALUATION

i. Private association	Certain
Note	The terminology employed, the character of the proceedings, and the parallel cases strongly advocate for the presence here of a private association.