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CAPInv. 2039: Athanaistai Lindiastai Diodor[ei]on

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I. LOCATION

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

II. NAME

i. Full name (original language)	Ἀθαναῖσται Λινδιασταί Διοδωρ[εῖ]ων
ii. Full name (transliterated)	<i>Athanaistai Lindiastai Diodor[ei]on</i>

III. DATE

i. Date(s)	Hell.
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IV. NAME AND TERMINOLOGY

ii. Name elements	Cultic:	Λινδιασταί, <i>Lindiastai</i> - The <i>Lindiastai</i> were followers of the cult of Athana Lindia.
	Personal:	Διοδωρείων, <i>Diodoreion</i> - From the Greek personal name Διόδωρος, <i>Diodoros</i> (LGPN s.v. no. 80). The compound name Διοδωρείων, <i>Diodoreion</i> suggests either a founder or a benefactor of the association, (cf. Thomsen (forthcoming), Gabrielsen 1997 p. 126-7, Maiuri 1916 p. 141, Poland 1909 p. 73-6).
	Theophoric:	Ἀθαναισταί, <i>Athanaistai</i> - From the doric spelling of Athena (Morrelli, <i>I culti in Rodi</i> [Pisa, 1959] 2-13, 80-89).

Note

The character of the association is greatly reminiscent of other associations described as κοινὸν, *koinon*, although the descriptive term has been omitted in this case.

V. SOURCES

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| i. Source(s) | Maiuri, NSER 41 |
| Online Resources | Maiuri, NSER 41
AGRW no. 14967 |
| i.a. Source type(s) | Epigraphic source(s) |

XIII. EVALUATION

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| i. Private association | Certain |
| Note | The use of cultic, personal, and theophoric name elements and the dedicatory-honourific context of the attested inscriptions make the private character of the association certain, although a descriptive term might be lacking. |