**Author:** ILIAS ARNAOUTOGLOU

**CAPInv. 341:** koinon (ton) Eikadeon

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### III. DATE

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### IV. NAME AND TERMINOLOGY

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- Epigraphic source(s)

### i.b. Document(s) typology & language/script

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### i.c. Physical format(s)

- IG II² 1258 is a pedimental marble stele.
- IG II² 2631-2632: Marble stele measuring 1.36x0.34m.

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- IG II² 2632 was found in Koropi (modern toponym).
- IG II² 1258 was found in Markopoulo (modern toponym).

### VI. BUILT AND VISUAL SPACE

**ii. References to buildings/objects**

In IG II² 1258, 23-5 there is a reference to a stele to be inscribed with the text of the decree and to be erected at the sanctuary of Apollon Parnessios.

### VII. ORGANIZATION

**iii. Members**

The members of the group are designated as Εἰκαδεῖς, Eikadeis, IG II² 1258, 3, 5-8, 20.

**iv. Officials**

The officials of the association are designated as ἀρχοντες, archontes, IG II² 1258, 1. 22.

In IG II¹ 1596, l. 12 a certain βουλ[αρχος], bou|larchos] is restored.

**v. Other stuff**

The association is to elect a committee of three members to assist Polyxenos in the prosecution, IG II² 1258, II. 12-5.

**Known practice of appointment**

The appointment of these three members is described with the verb to elect (ἐλέεθα, helésthai, IG II² 1258, l. 12).
vi. **Laws and rules**

The members of the association probably had sworn an oath (ὅρκος, *horkos*, IG II² 1258, 2) about their conduct, IG II² 1258, ll. 1-3. Parker 1996: 336-7 argued that the curse following the oath was pronounced by *Eikadeus*, a (semi-)mythical founder-figure of the group. However, it is equally possible that the term describes an individual member of the group.

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**VIII. PROPERTY AND POSSESSIONS**

ii. **Realty**


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**IX. MEMBERSHIP**

ii. **Gender**

*Men*

The attested names of members are male names.


IG II² 1258:

[Ἐ]παμείνων Ἀμεινίου, Athenian Onomasticon s.v. (3)

Πολύξενος Διοδώρου, Athenian Onomasticon s.v. (4)

iii. **Age**

*Adults*

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**X. ACTIVITIES**

iii. **Worship**

The association performed some sort of sacrifices, IG II² 1258, ll. 6-7. Baslez 2004: 115 put forward the possibility that the group worshipped a hero-founder *Eikadeus*. The erection of the stele in the sanctuary of Ἀπόλλων Παρνήσιος, Apollon Parnessios does not imply that the association worshipped this deity.

*Deities worshipped*

hero-founder *Eikadeus* (?)

iv. **Honours/Other activities**

The association praises (ἐπαινέσαι, *epainesai*) Polyxenos, son of Diodoros and awards a golden crown (χρυσοῦς στέφανος, *chrysous stephanos*) to him for his righteousness and the initiative to prosecute co-members, IG II² 1258, ll. 17-21.

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**XI. INTERACTION**

i. **Local interaction**

The association is utilizing the polis’ judicial mechanism in order to protect its interests from some members who have given false testimony in a dispute about the association's property (Parker 1997: 337). Also it pays the 1% tax on sales/leases and erects boundary stones (ὅροι, *horoi*) to delimit its property.

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**XII. NOTES**

i. **Comments**

IG II² 1258 is dated in the archonship of Hegesias.
ii. Poland concordance

   IG II² 1258: Poland A62a
   IG II² 2631: Poland A62b
   IG II² 2632: Poland A62c(?)
   Lambert 1997, 68 F13A, II. 12-6: Poland A62c

iii. Bibliography

   Ross, L. (1846), Die Demen von Attika und ihre Vertheilung unter die Phylen nach Inschriften. Halle.

XIII. EVALUATION

i. Private association

   Note

   The association’s corporate character is more than certain since it owns property, has a distinct name, officials and internal affairs to administer. But its private character is disputed by Lambert 1997: 199-201 (and earlier in Lambert 1993: 365) who argued that it may have been a genos-like group (Parker 1996: 337 agrees that this is a possibility).