Epigraphy Edit-a-thon
Editing geographic data in ancient sources: problems and issues

Round Table

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14:30-16:30
Issues in the sources

Different writing / linguistic systems still need standards: Cypriot, Mycenaean, Egyptian

How do we deal with them?

Places as findspots vs places in documents (and all their variants)

How do we handle these informations (and their connections) consistently?

Specificities in the expressive systems:

Various indications of time and space

People and places: indications of origin, travels, movements, place of birth and place of death
Issues for Digital Humanists

We need standards!

- For encoding information meaningfully and consistently
- For consistency across databases and research
- For ensuring that also other people/projects follow the same workflow
- How do we create standards? A bottom-up approach?
- Can we act into the framework of a TEI/EpiDoc SIG?

Interfaces, annotation standards and infrastructures: What do we have, what do we need? User-friendly interfaces and workflow
Integration and interoperability

Chronology and geography: space and time are parallel dimensions

How can they be integrated?

How do we ensure collaboration across different projects?

How do we keep track of what is being done?

We only have one lifetime ... but honest human work is still necessary:

How do we involve users/students/experts/curators?

How do we give value to what they create?