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Abstract: *The goal of this study is to analyze the social and economic involvement of the negotiatores from Lower Danube provinces (Dacia, Moesia, Thracia).*

The analysis reveals that in the Lower Danube provinces few negotiatores or mercatores are epigraphically attested but the number of persons involved in commerce must have been larger due to the fact that those provinces had an important commercial life. In Roman time the belonging to the negotiatores class was not a desirable social status for a person inclined to social uprising and the way to achieve this social advancement was to conceal the belonging of this social category.

Finally some persons supposed to have commercial businesses are enumerated in the study (Aurelius Alexander et Flavus, T. Fabius Iblimarus, T. Aurelius Narcissus, L. Iulius Ga..., Gaius Gaianus, Proculus Apollofanus, Macrinus, Attius Valens, Carantius Germanus, Alexandrianus, Tattius Lucius, Antoninus Iulius Lucilianus, Asclepius, Ael. Ionicus, L. Samognatius Tertius, Sextus Cornelius Ta... for Dacia; Metrotores, Stratocles, Seppon, Asklepiades, Menophilus Bassos, Theodulus. P. Covirius Gentilius, P. Covirius Optatus, P. Ael. Valerianus, for Moesia).