## SOME LATE ROMAN - EARLY BYZANTINE TOMBS FROM AN AMFISSA - IN PHOKIS CEMETERY (DELFI REGION), GREECE

## Sotirios RAPTOPOULOS

Last November, during an excavation of the Archaeological Ephorate of Delfi in Amphissa, near the modern church of Evangelistria, several tombs from the 4<sup>th</sup> century AD came up. Their simple construction (roof tiles on tile / brick / rock bed) and the lack of important finds, contrast the substrata archaeological evidence - featuring an important Hellenistic building with a late Roman architectural phase, including a mosaic - paved atrium dated in the 4<sup>th</sup> century AD. The only possible explanation for these two different strata of the same era - one presenting a rich private (building - while the other showed a dramatic switch to a poor cemetery - is the destruction caused by the troops of Alarich, in the late fourth century AD.