

Abstract:

In my work I tried to explain the determinations and methods of the main philosophical thoughts of Plato and Aristotle. Both of them lived in hard times of ancient Greece, in different crisis of polis, and that had significantly influenced their thinking, their lives, their work. Although the times has changed, between their appearance and the methods of thinking also. Of course we can find a mythical core in both philosophies, but the difference between Plato's round embrace of universe with using the combination of methods of thinking of those times on the one side, and the Aristotle's scientific methods based in his specific metaphysics, is significant for the changes, which appeared. Both of them tries to reform the political, social, and ontological thinking. But each of them are trying to change different one. Plato the thinking in the centre of polis suffering under the crisis of elites, and Aristotle the polis during the Makedonian invasion. Of course we can not use their models of thinking in contemporary philosophy as such, but we can find various contemporary themes in which the knowledge of their thinking would be useful.