**„Beauty is a short-lived tyranny “**

**Socrates**

I think on a first sight Socrates meant this context as outer beauty. It has its own power of attraction, so beauty here means power too. He explains it as tyranny because of the torture we do to ourselves trying to preserve beauty (by cosmetics, diet, etc...) – sometimes even mental problems are built due to desperate effort to fit the beauty standard. He also named it as short-lived because of with increasing age you also increase wrinkles, loss of pigment and aging muscles. So, beauty starts to vanish after a point of saturation.