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It was truly inspiring to represent the Stone Soup Leadership Institute at Ciência Viva's 2nd National Ocean Literacy Conference.

Over two days, I got to see just how many amazing projects are happening in Portugal's schools and local organization. I was proud to see how they are all working in different ways to change how we perceive and care for the ocean. It really showed how much responsibility we're all starting to take on, individually and collectively.

What stood out the most to me was the energy and awareness of the younger participants. Their curiosity, creativity, and genuine drive to act are pushing this movement forward, and it's contagious!

There are many challenges that were shared, but one idea kept coming back: real change doesn't start with big gestures, it starts with small drops, and together, those drops create a wave. A transformative wave of understanding, compassion, and action that we need to truly protect and cherish the oceans.

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