This paper is intended to present an overview of my ongoing PhD research on subjective and inter-subjective markers in European Portuguese, namely those which encode a distance between the speaker and what he says or who he talks to. This research is developed within the framework of the theory of predicative and enunciative operations, under which it is assumed that the marking of subjectivity is the product of a combination of linguistic categories. A transcategorial analysis is privileged which takes into account how different linguistic categories interact in the construction of subjects and of enunciative and inter-subjective relations, in linguistically validable sequences. This paper shall look specifically into two kinds of mediative markers, which enable the speaker to take a distance towards what he says: reported speech and inference markers, in particular, *futuro* and *condicional* verb tenses and perception verbs in inferential uses.