This is the first announcement of the IAU Symposium 359 – Galaxy Evolution and Feedback across Different Environments (GALFEED) to take place between March 2 and 6, 2020 at the Dall’Onder hotel, in the town of Bento Gonçalves, located at a distance of 115 km from the Salgado Filho International Airport of Porto Alegre, in the south of Brazil.

**Goal of the IAU Symposium 359 - GALFEED:** The evolution of galaxies is shaped by a number of processes, such as cold gas flows from the cosmic web, compaction events, star-formation episodes, environmental effects, feedback from supernova explosions and Active Galactic Nuclei (AGN). Our goal is to bring together the Galaxy Evolution and AGN communities in order to advance our understanding of the interplay between these processes via observations and models across different environments and cosmic time.

**Education and Outreach:** We are also promoting such activities in order to increase interest and awareness on astronomical knowledge and recent discoveries. Please send us a message if you are interested in participating of these activities.

**Attractions:** The town of Bento Gonçalves is located at the center of the wine county in the south of Brazil, home of prize-winning wineries and of a beautiful countryside, that can be explored via hiking, biking and picturesque tram rides.

**VISA:** There is **no need of VISA** to enter Brazil (only a valid passport) for citizens of the following countries: United States, Canada, countries of Europe, Australia, Japan and most countries of Latin America. If you are in doubt if your nationality requires a VISA to enter Brazil, please consult the [official list from the Brazilian government](http://www.ufrgs.br/galfeed2020).

**New: IAU grants:** grants will be provided mostly for students and post-docs. If you need support, please register early and send us the form you can find at the [Grants for IAU Symposia and Regional IAU Meetings](http://www.ufrgs.br/galfeed2020) page at the IAU website.

**Deadlines for abstract submission:** (1) October 20 if a grant is being requested; (2) December 10 for general registration and payment of the early registration fee; (3) January 30 for payment of the regular fee.

**Payment of the registration fee:** Can be done through money transfer or using a credit card via Paypal (early: 250EUR, regular: 300EUR and late: 350EUR). If you do not have an account at Paypal, you will be directed to create one. More details on the “IAU SYMP. 359 – GALFEED” can be found via the:

**Homepage:** [http://www.ufrgs.br/galfeed2020](http://www.ufrgs.br/galfeed2020) and
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Hoping to welcome you at our Symposium,

Thaisa Storchi Bergmann (Chair of the SOC)