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## **Supplementary Information**

Role of EFAI species and proximity between Brønsted and metal sites in hydrogenation on bifunctional catalysts

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Figure S1. Schematic representation of the PtA|HBEA sample analysis.



Figure S2. TEM micrographs of 0.5PtHBEA (A) and 1PtHBEA (B) catalysts.



Figure S3. SEM micrographs of HBEA.

	Brønsted acidity – [PyH <sup>+</sup> ] <sup>a</sup>	Lewis acidity – [PyL] <sup>b</sup>
	(µmol.g⁻¹)	(µmol.g⁻¹)
HBEA (CP-814E - Zeolyst) <sup>c</sup>	448	208
$AI_2O_3^{d}$	-	172
Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> + HBEA (50-50)	169 (224) <sup>e</sup>	145 (190) <sup>e</sup>

Table S1. Impact of the mixture between  $\gamma\text{-}Al_2O_3$  and HBEA on acid properties of PtA+HBEA samples.

<sup>a</sup> number of protonic sites able to retain pyridine [PyH<sup>+</sup>] at 220 °C.

<sup>b</sup> Lewis sites able to retain pyridine [PyL] at 220 °C.

<sup>c</sup> BEA zeolite from Zeolyst (ref: CP-814E) was used as a replacement for the sample used in the main manuscript due to unavailability of the original HBEA zeolite.

<sup>d</sup> The  $Al_2O_3$  sample presented in this table is a new batch made from the same boehmite material as the one presented in the main manuscript.

<sup>e</sup> Values in brackets correspond to theoretical site density based on the relative proportions of  $Al_2O_3$  and HBEA in the sample.



Figure S4. Pyridinium (PyH<sup>+</sup> - 1545 cm<sup>-1</sup>) and pyridine coordinated on Lewis sites (PyL – 1455 cm<sup>-1</sup>) bands evolution time with a hydrogen pressure of 6 mbar in the infrared cell for 1PtHBEA saturated with pyridine at 220 °C



Figure S5. C-H characteristic bands (3100 – 2700 cm<sup>-1</sup>) of the gas phase as function of hydrogen pressure during the hydrogenation of adsorbed pyridine at  $220^{\circ}$ C.



Figure S6. Hydroxyl characteristic bands ( $3500 - 3850 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ ) of  $PtAl_2O_3$  catalyst as function of hydrogen pressure during the hydrogenation of adsorbed pyridine at 220°C. In the square is highlighted the variation of the band at 3471 cm-1 relative to the reference spectrum at  $P(H_2) = 0$  mbar.



Figure S7. Left) Evolution of the 1700 cm<sup>-1</sup> band characteristic of Al-H bond. Right) Deconvolution of the IR spectrum of HBEA adsorbed with pyridine under 9 mbar of  $H_2$ .



Figure S8. Equilibrium conversion the hydrogenation of pyridine adsorbed on 0.5PtHBEA (Py=9.6  $\mu$ mol) as a function of hydrogen pressure. The reaction was considered to occur in the gas phase at 220 °C, and system volume, i.e., IR cell volume is 544.4 mL.