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Supporting Information

Consequences of Twisting of flexible arms of imidazole derived urea in zinc-dicarboxylate coordination polymers

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Scheme 1S: Reaction for the synthesis of the imidaurea



Figure 1S: ¹HNMR spectra (500 MHz, DMSO-d₆) of the *imidaurea*.



Figure 2S: ¹³CNMR (DMSO-d₆, 125 MHz) spectra of the *imidaurea*.



Figure 3S: High resolution mass spectra of imidaurea



Figure 4S: Powder X-ray diffraction patterns of the (a) *imidaurea*, (b) **CP1**, (c) **CP2**, (d) **CP3** (Green = Experimental, Blue = Simulated). Simulated pattern generated from CIF file).



Figure 5S : Powder X-ray diffraction patterns of (a) CP2 after heating at 150° C for two days, and (b) simulated pattern of CP1.



Figure 6S: Photographs of the CP2 and of the CP2 heat treated at 150° C for two days.



Figure 7S : (a) Bravais, Friedel, Donnay and Harker crystal morphology of *imidaurea*; (b) scanning electron microscopy image of the *imidaurea*.



(b)

Figure 8S : (a) Bravais, Friedel, Donnay and Harker crystal morphology of **CP1**; (b) scanning electron microscopy image of the **CP1**.



Figure 9S : (a) Bravais, Friedel, Donnay and Harker crystal morphology of **CP2**; (b) scanning electron microscopy image of the **CP2**.



Figure 10S : (a) Bravais, Friedel, Donnay and Harker crystal morphology of **CP3**; (b) scanning electron microscopy image of the **CP3**.



Figure 11S: Scanning electron microscopic image of heat treated at 150° C for two days of CP2.



Figure 12S: (a) IR-spectra, and (b) expansion of the IR-spectra of the solid samples of (i) *imidaurea*, (ii) **CP1**, (iii) **CP2**, (iv) **CP3**.



Figure 13S: Packing patterns showing (a) layer-like assemblies of bunches in the **CP1**, and (b) inter-chain inclusion in clefts in chains in the **CP2**.



Figure 14S: ¹HNMR spectra (500 MHz) of the **CP1** in DMSO-d₆ at (a) 293.15K, (b) 303.15K, (iii) 313.15K, (iv) 323.15K, (v) 333.15K.



Figure 15S: ¹HNMR (500MHz) of the **CP1** and **CP2** in DMSO-d₆



Figure 16S: ¹HNMR spectra (500 MHz) of the **CP2** in DMSO-d₆ at (a) 293.15K, (b) 303.15K, (iii) 313.15K, (iv) 323.15K, (v) 333.15K.



Figure 17S: Plots of intensity vs particle size from dynamic light-scattering of the **CP1** (80 μ L of 10⁻⁴M) with different concentrations of isophthalic acid (0 μ L, 10 μ L,20 μ L,30 μ L 10⁻⁴M, bottom to top) in water.



Figure 18S: Plots of intensity vs particle size determined from dynamic light-scattering of **CP2** (80 μ L of 10⁻⁴M) with different concentrations of isophthalic acid (0 μ L, 10 μ L,20 μ L,30 μ L 10⁻⁴M, bottom to top) in water.