

*Supporting Information for*

**A series of Zn(II) and Cd(II) coordination compounds based on 4-(4*H*-1,2,4-triazol-4-yl)benzoic acid: synthesis, structure and photoluminescent properties**

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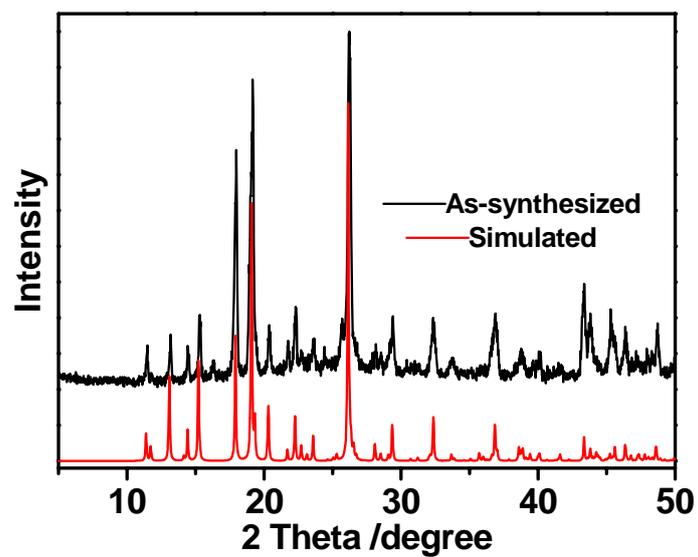


Fig. S1 PXRD of 1.

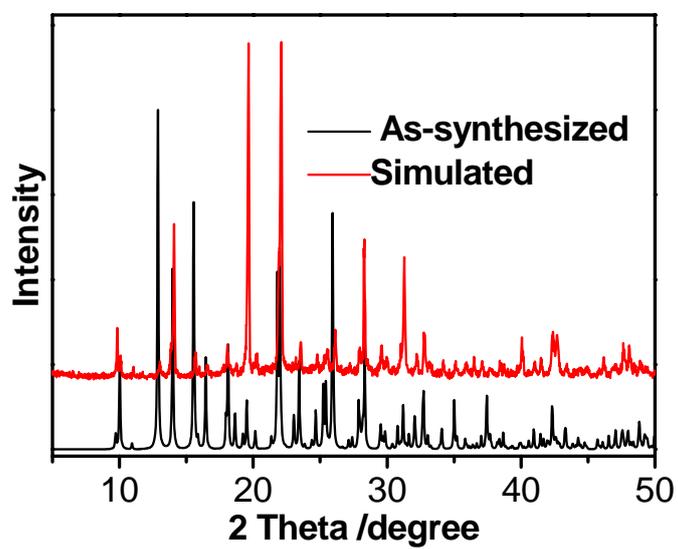


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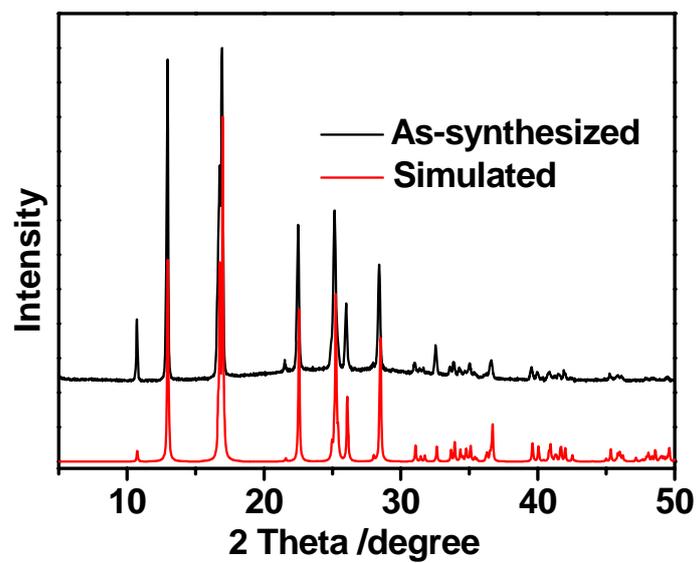


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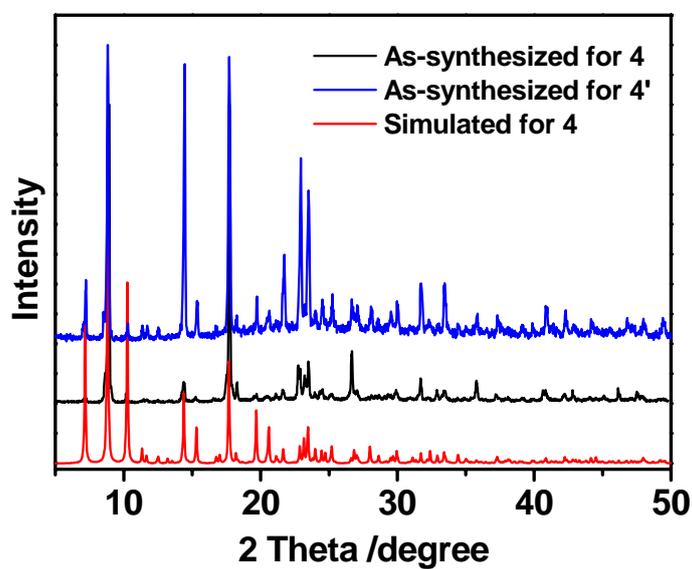


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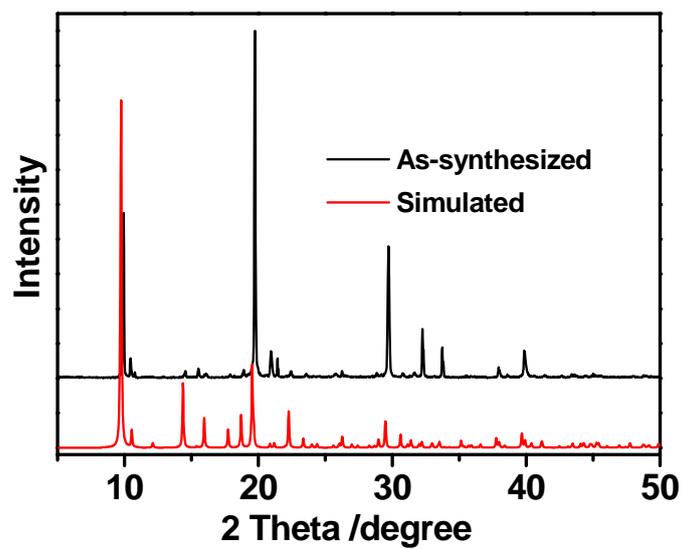


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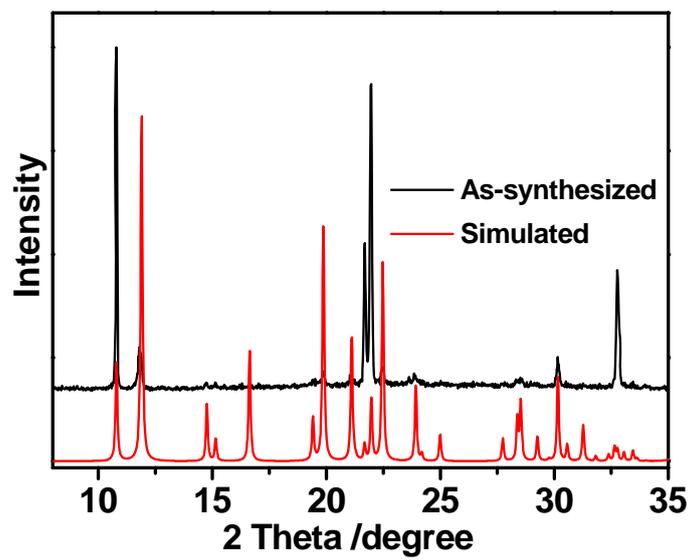
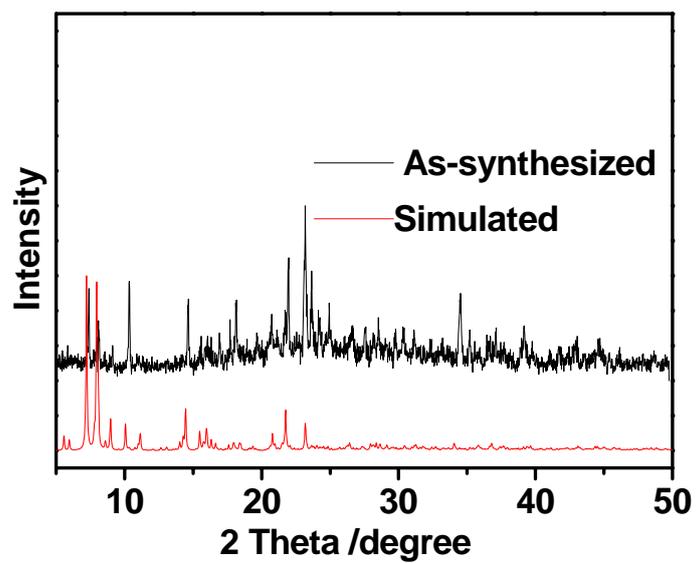
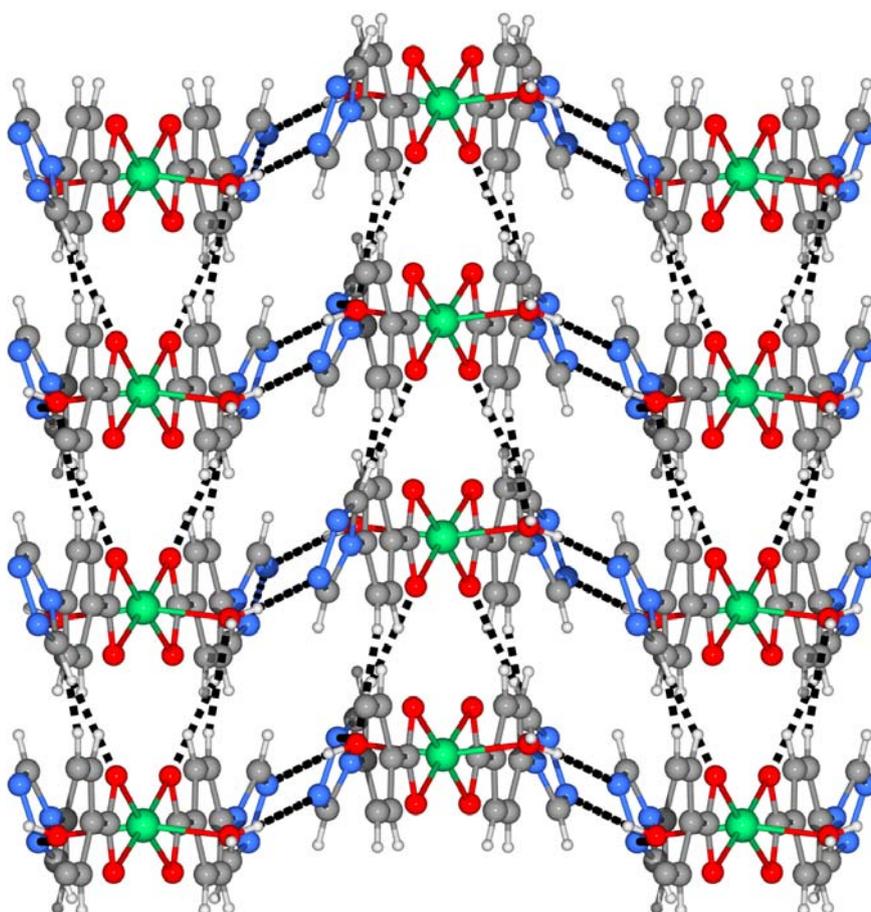


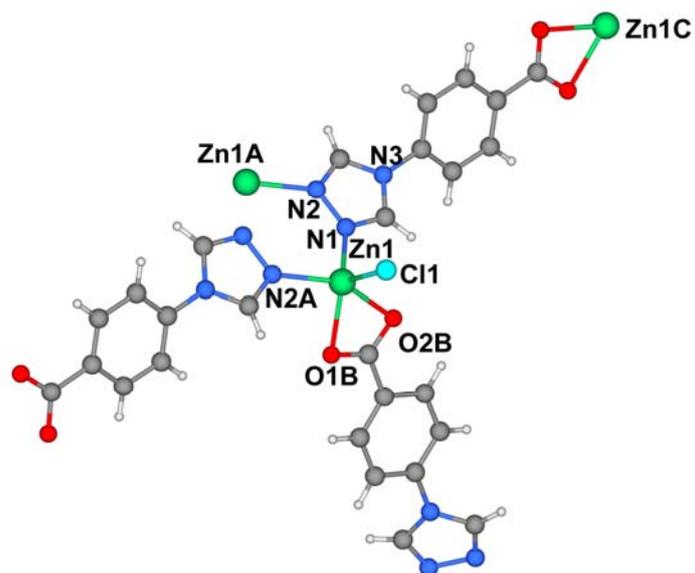
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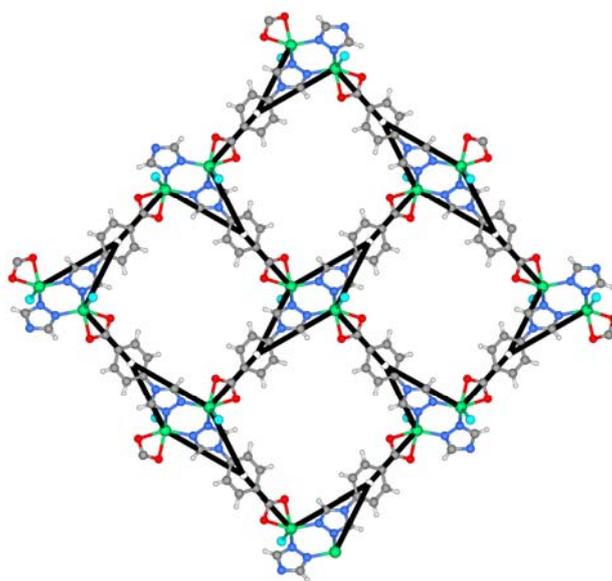
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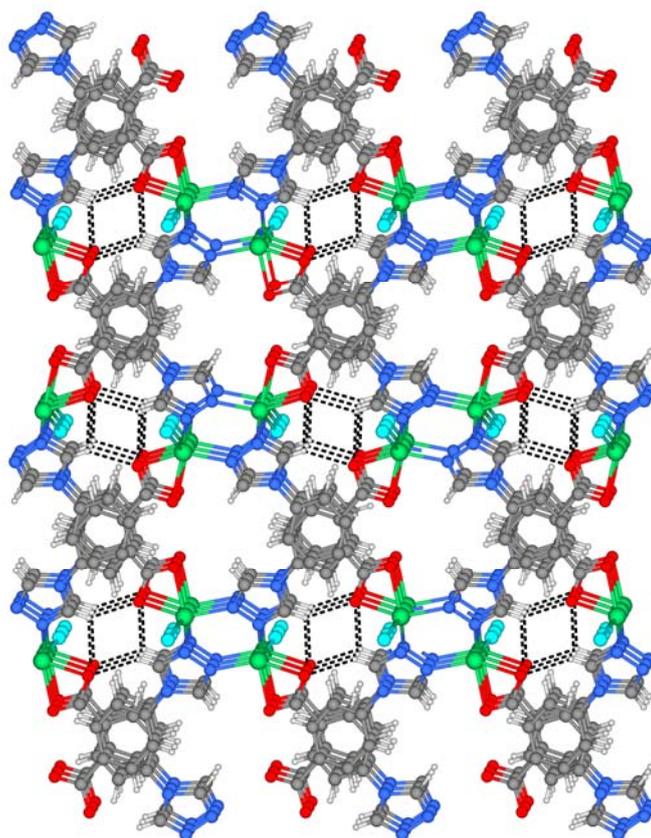
**Fig. S8** View of the 3D supramolecular network through the C-H...O weak interactions in **1** along the *a*-axis.



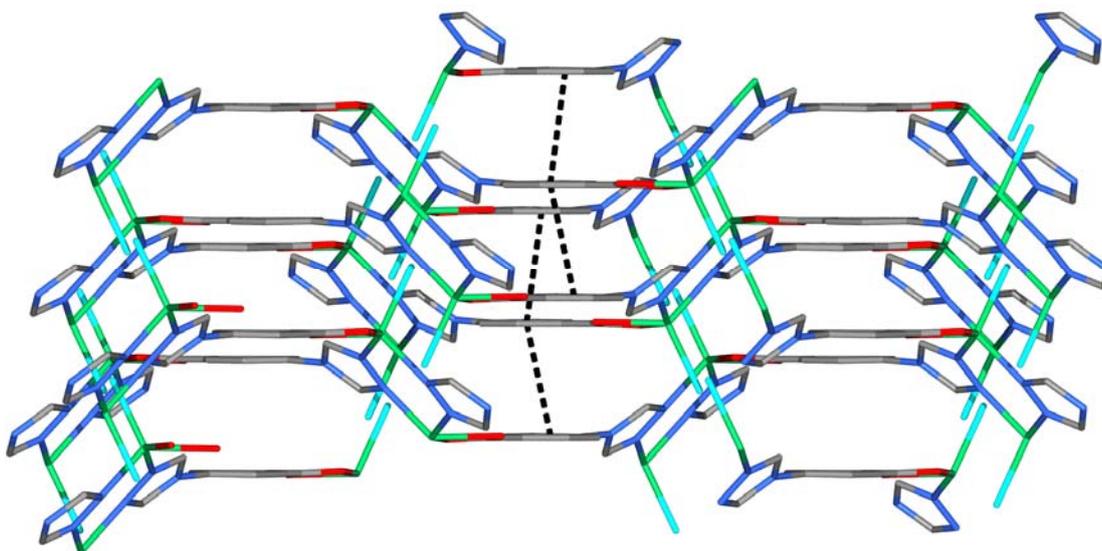
**Fig. S9** The coordination environments of the zinc atom and the 4-tba ligand in **2**. Symmetric codes: A:  $-x, -y, -z$ ; B:  $x-1, -y+1/2, z-1/2$ ; C:  $x+1, -y+1/2, z+1/2$ .



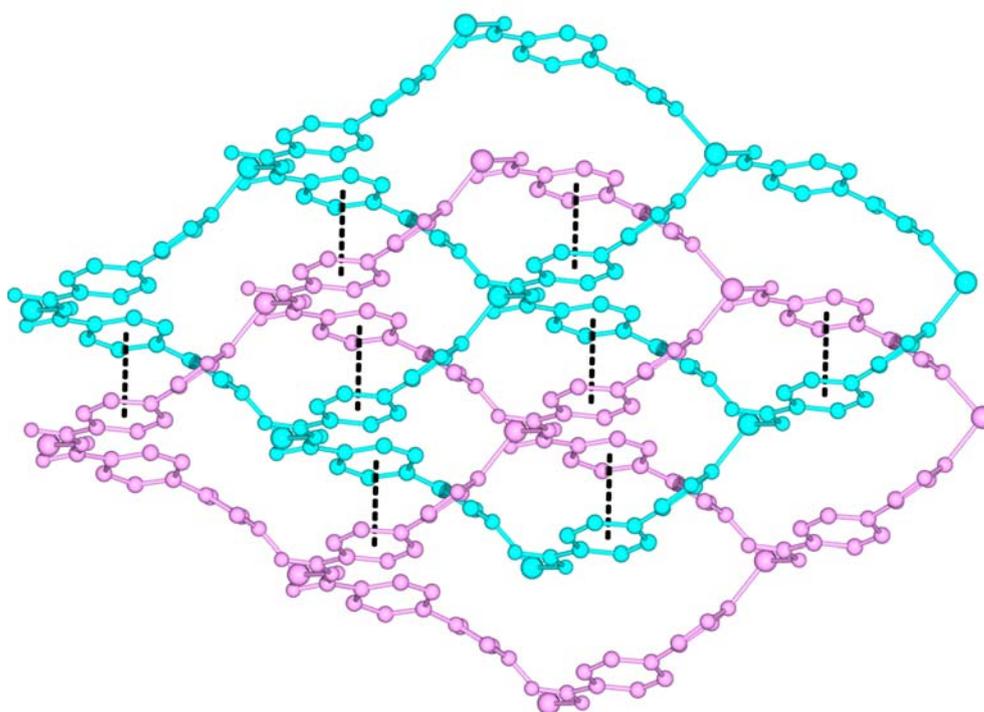
**Fig. S10** The 3-connected  $4.8^2$  topology in **2** when Zn and 4-tba are regarded as two kinds of 3-connected nodes.



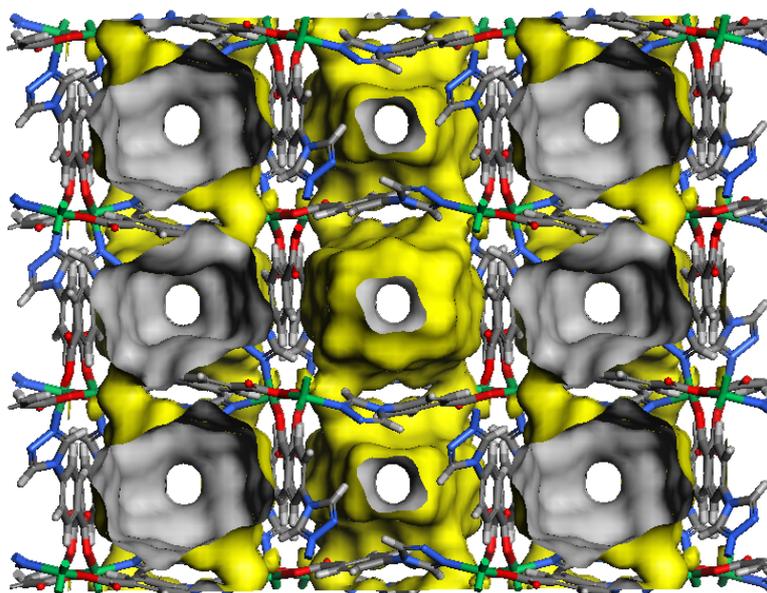
**Fig. S11** View of the 3D supramolecular network through the C-H...O weak interactions in **2** along the *c*-axis.



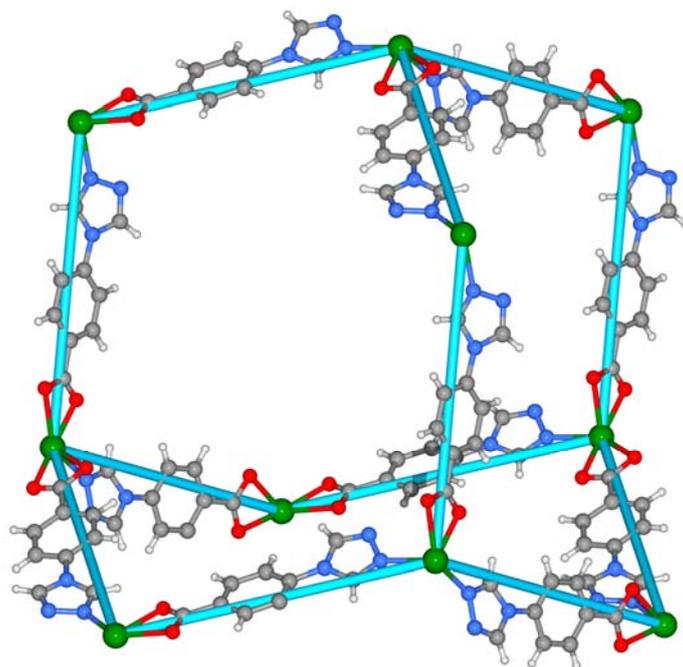
**Fig. S12** View of  $\pi$ - $\pi$  stacking interactions in **2**.



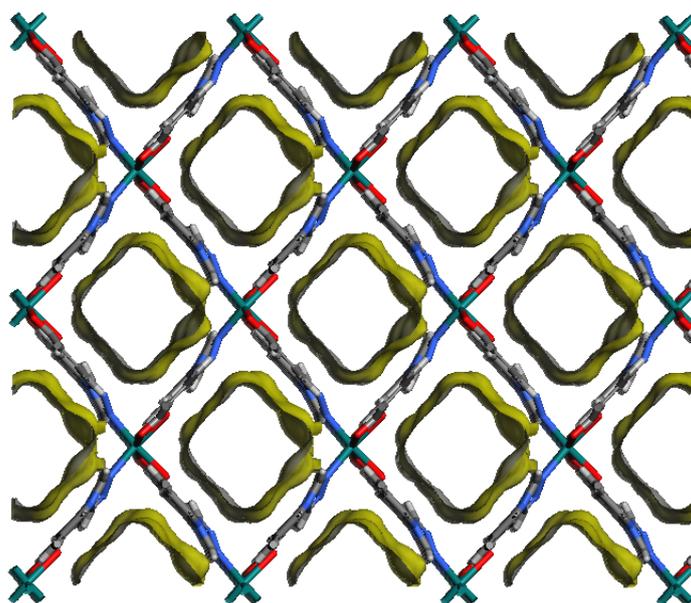
**Fig. S13** View of  $\pi$ - $\pi$  stacking interactions in **3**. The 2-fold interpenetrating 2D layers are shown different color and hydrogen atoms are omitted for clarity.



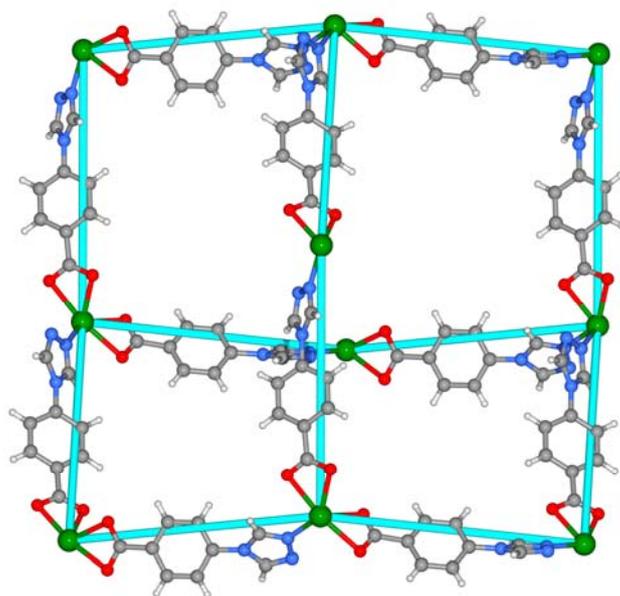
**Fig. S14** View of the 3D framework and channel structure of **4** along the  $b$ -axis.



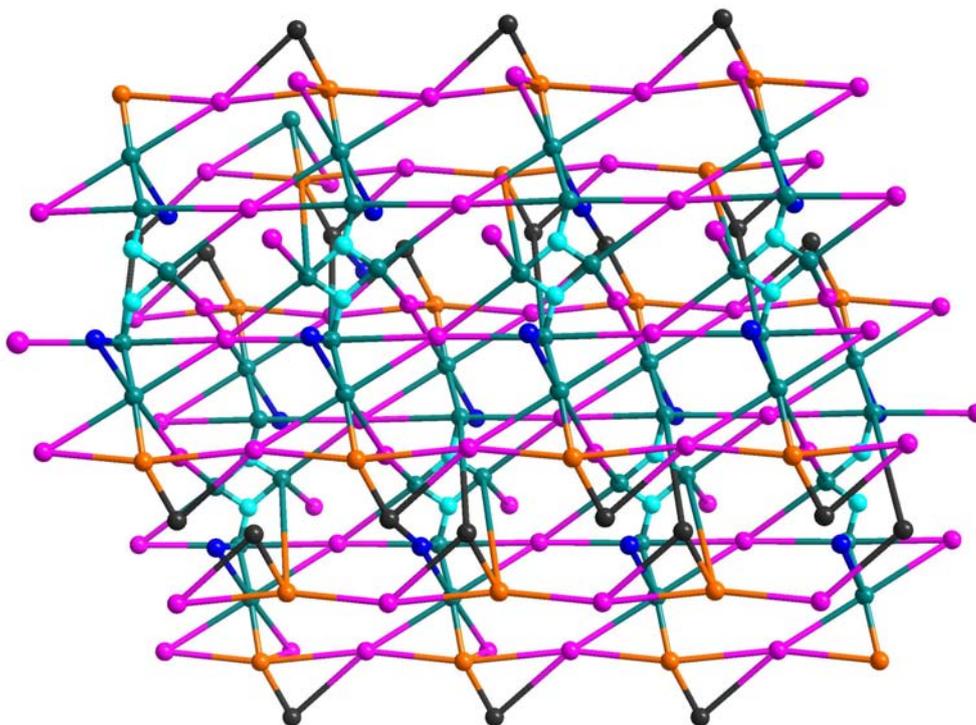
**Fig. S15** A single diamond motif in **5**.



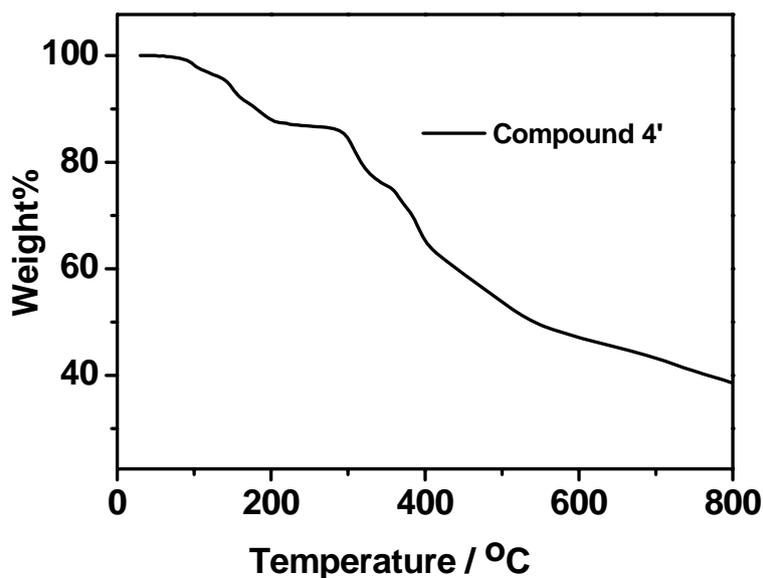
**Fig. S16** View of the 3D framework and channel structure of **5** along the *b*-axis.



**Fig. S17** A single diamond motif in **6**.



**Fig. S18** Topological representation of the 10-nodal (3,3,3,4,4,4,5,6,6,6)-connected net of **7**.



**Figure S19.** TG curve of compound **4'** synthesized by slow evaporation of the filtrate of **3**. The weight loss of 13.35% at temperatures below 238 °C is consistent with the removal of one half of free DMF and two water guest molecules per formula unit (calcd 14.11%).

**Table S1** The possible hydrogen bonds for compound **1** and **2**

D-H...A	d(D-H)	d(H...A)	d(D...A)	<(DHA)
<b>1</b>				
O(1W')-H(1WA)...N(1a)	0.71	2.06	2.746(17)	164.5
O(1W')-H(1WB)...N(2b)	0.80	2.04	2.790(17)	155.8
C(4)-H(4A)...O(1Wc)	0.93	2.49	3.295(15)	145.3
C(9)-H(9A)...O(1d)	0.93	2.40	3.329(4)	174.3
<b>2</b>				
O(3)-H(3)...O(2e)	0.82	2.01	2.826(6)	173.3
C(6)-H(6A)...O(3b)#5	0.93	2.57	3.496(7)	171.5
C(8)-H(8A)...O(3f)#6	0.93	2.25	3.079(7)	147.4
C(9)-H(9A)...O(1g)#7	0.93	2.48	2.965(6)	112.8
C(9)-H(9A)...O(1e)	0.93	2.47	3.259(7)	142.3

Symmetry code: (a)  $-x+1, -y+1, -z+1$ ; (b)  $x-1, y, z$ ; (c)  $x+1/2, y+1/2, z$ ; (d)  $x+1/2, y-1/2, z$ ; (e)  $x, -y+1/2, z-1/2$ ; (f)  $x-1, -y+1/2, z+1/2$ ; (g)  $-x+1, y-1/2, -z+1/2$ .

**Table S2** The possible  $\pi$  -  $\pi$  interactions in complexes **1-7** calculated by program PLATON.<sup>S1</sup>

type of $\pi$ - $\pi$ interactions	centroid-centroid distance (Å)	closest interplanar distance (Å)	offset angle (°)
<b>1</b>			
benzene ring – triazole ring	3.8662	3.342	13.11
benzene ring – benzene ring	4.1349	3.777	0.00
<b>2</b>			
benzene ring – benzene ring	3.7768	3.363	0.49
<b>3</b>			
benzene ring – benzene ring	3.6562	3.505	0.67
<b>4</b>			
triazole ring – triazole ring	4.2493	3.294	0.04
<b>5</b>			
benzene ring – triazole ring	5.2286	2.642	71.59
<b>6</b>			
benzene ring – benzene ring	4.4961	3.320	16.78
<b>7</b>			
benzene ring – triazole ring	4.2252	3.750	16.29

**Topology Analysis of compound 7 by using TOPOS software.**<sup>S2</sup>

## Topology for Cl1

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Atom Cl1 links by bridge ligands and has

Common vertex with					R(A-A)	
Cd 3	0.1675	1.0053	0.4832	( 0 1 0)	2.496Å	1
Cd 2	0.1763	0.8119	0.4083	( 0 0 0)	2.586Å	1
Cd 3	-0.1675	0.9947	0.5168	( 0 1 1)	2.912Å	1

## Topology for Sc1

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Atom Sc1 links by bridge ligands and has

Common vertex with					R(A-A)	
Cd 1	0.1746	-0.2232	0.2481	( 0-1 0)	5.339Å	1

Cd 2	0.1763	-0.1881	0.4083	( 0-1 0)	5.457A	1
Cr 1	0.1651	0.5286	0.0038	( 0 0 0)	7.238A	1

Topology for Ti1

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Atom Ti1 links by bridge ligands and has

Common vertex with					R(A-A)	
Co 1	0.2055	0.7068	0.0765	( 0 0 0)	6.293A	1
Cd 1	0.1746	0.7768	0.2481	( 0 0 0)	6.402A	1
Cr 1	1.1651	0.5286	0.0038	( 1 0 0)	6.502A	1
Co 1	1.2055	0.7068	0.0765	( 1 0 0)	6.736A	1

Topology for Ti2

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Atom Ti2 links by bridge ligands and has

Common vertex with					R(A-A)	
Cd 3	0.1675	0.0053	0.4832	( 0 0 0)	6.274A	1
Co 1	0.2055	0.7068	0.0765	( 0 0 0)	6.409A	1
Cd 1	0.1746	0.7768	0.2481	( 0 0 0)	6.501A	1

Topology for Ti3

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Atom Ti3 links by bridge ligands and has

Common vertex with					R(A-A)	
Cd 3	0.1675	1.0053	0.4832	( 0 1 0)	6.407A	1
Cd 2	0.1763	0.8119	0.4083	( 0 0 0)	6.449A	1
Cd 1	1.1746	0.7768	0.2481	( 1 0 0)	6.528A	1
Cd 2	1.1763	0.8119	0.4083	( 1 0 0)	6.541A	1

Topology for Cr1

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Atom Cr1 links by bridge ligands and has

Common vertex with					R(A-A)	
Co 1	0.2055	0.7068	0.0765	( 0 0 0)	4.136A	1
Ti 1	-0.3267	0.7100	0.1099	(-1 0 0)	6.502A	1
Sc 1	0.1760	0.0991	0.2052	( 0 0 0)	7.238A	1
Cd 2	0.1763	0.8119	-0.5917	( 0 0-1)	12.394A	1

Topology for Co1

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Atom Co1 links by bridge ligands and has

Common vertex with					R(A-A)	
Cr 1	0.1651	0.5286	0.0038	( 0 0 0)	4.136A	1
Cd 1	0.1746	0.7768	0.2481	( 0 0 0)	4.266A	1
Ti 1	0.6733	0.7100	0.1099	( 0 0 0)	6.293A	1
Ti 2	0.1690	0.3811	0.3222	( 0 0 0)	6.409A	1
Ti 1	-0.3267	0.7100	0.1099	(-1 0 0)	6.736A	1
Cd 3	0.1675	1.0053	-0.5168	( 0 1-1)	12.458A	1

Topology for Cd1

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Atom Cd1 links by bridge ligands and has

Common vertex with					R(A-A)	
Cd 2	0.1763	0.8119	0.4083	( 0 0 0)	3.805A	1
Co 1	0.2055	0.7068	0.0765	( 0 0 0)	4.266A	1
Sc 1	0.1760	1.0991	0.2052	( 0 1 0)	5.339A	1
Ti 1	0.6733	0.7100	0.1099	( 0 0 0)	6.402A	1
Ti 2	0.1690	0.3811	0.3222	( 0 0 0)	6.501A	1
Ti 3	-0.3323	0.8429	0.3917	(-1 0 0)	6.528A	1

Topology for Cd2

Atom Cd2 links by bridge ligands and has

Common vertex with					R(A-A)	
Cl 1	0.0554	0.9195	0.4681	( 0 0 0)	2.586A	1
Cd 1	0.1746	0.7768	0.2481	( 0 0 0)	3.805A	1
Sc 1	0.1760	1.0991	0.2052	( 0 1 0)	5.457A	1
Ti 3	0.6677	0.8429	0.3917	( 0 0 0)	6.449A	1
Ti 3	-0.3323	0.8429	0.3917	(-1 0 0)	6.541A	1
Cr 1	0.1651	0.5286	1.0038	( 0 0 1)	12.394A	1

Topology for Cd3

Atom Cd3 links by bridge ligands and has

Common vertex with					R(A-A)	
Cl 1	0.0554	-0.0805	0.4681	( 0-1 0)	2.496A	1
Cl 1	-0.0554	0.0805	0.5319	( 0 1 1)	2.912A	1
Ti 2	0.1690	0.3811	0.3222	( 0 0 0)	6.274A	1
Ti 3	0.6677	-0.1571	0.3917	( 0-1 0)	6.407A	1
Co 1	0.2055	-0.2932	1.0765	( 0-1 1)	12.458A	1

Structural group analysis

Structural group No 1

Structure consists of 3D framework with Cd3CoCrTi3ScCl

Coordination sequences

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 Cum 4 14 40 98 197 366 601 932 1351 1900

Ti1: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Num 4 13 28 59 105 173 244 335 417 561  
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