## **Supporting Information**

## Development of Silica Supported Frustrated Lewis Pairs: Highly Active Transition Metal-Free Catalysts for Z-Selective Reduction of Alkyne

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Figure S1. <sup>1</sup>H MAS NMR (500 MHz, 8 scans, relaxation delay of 5 s, 10 kHz spinning speed) spectra of 1 (a) and 2 (b).



Figure S2. DRIFT spectrum of 3b.



**Figure S3.** <sup>1</sup>H MAS (500 MHz, 8 scans, relaxation delay of 5 s, 10 kHz spinning speed) and <sup>13</sup>C CP/MAS (125.7 MHz, 30000 scans, relaxation delay of 5 s, 10 kHz spinning speed) NMR spectra of **3a**.



**Figure S4.** <sup>1</sup>H MAS (500 MHz, 8 scans, relaxation delay of 5 s, 10 kHz spinning speed) <sup>13</sup>C CPMAS NMR (125.7 MHz, 30000 scans, relaxation delay of 5 s, 10 kHz spinning speed) spectra of **3b**.



**Figure S5.** <sup>19</sup>F MAS NMR (476.5 MHz, 64 scans, relaxation delay of 5 s, 12 kHz spinning speed) spectra of **3a** (left, dotted curves represent deconvoluted peaks) and **3b** (right, dashed curves present deconvoluted peaks), spinning side bands (\*) were determined by changing the spinning rate (7 kHz, 10 kHz), "o" corresponds to signal from Krytox® vaccum grease (DuPont).



Figure S6. <sup>11</sup>B NMR spectrum (left) and <sup>31</sup>P NMR spectrum (right) of PPh<sub>3</sub>·HB(C<sub>6</sub>F<sub>5</sub>)<sub>2</sub> in C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>.



Figure S7. MAS-D-HMQC experiment of 3b to a pair of nuclei { $^{11}B$ ,  $^{31}P$ }



Scheme S1. Restructuration of  $[HB(C_6F_5)_2] \cdot [PPh_3]$  in solution after hydrogen addition.



Figure S8. Kinetic study of the conversion of 3-hexyne at 10 bar hydrogen, 80 °C and 2 mol% of 3a in pentane.



Figure S9. GC chromatogram of the hydrogenation of a) 1,2-diphenylethyne.



Figure S10. GC chromatogram of the hydrogenation of b) (hex-2-yn-1-yloxy)trimethylsilane.



Figure S11. GC chromatogram of the hydrogenation of c) alkyne derived from oleic methyl ester: methyl octadec-9-ynoate..