## **Supplementary material**

Supported Fe/MnO<sub>x</sub> catalyst with Ag doping for remarkably enhanced catalytic activity in Fischer-Tropsch synthesis

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**Fig. S1** SEM image, EDS mapping of Fe, Mn, Ag and O, respectively, and EDS spectra of the fresh  $1Ag10Fe/MnO_x$  catalyst sample.



**Fig. S2** A HAADF-STEM image and the corresponding elemental mapping of a reduced wt%Fe/MnO<sub>x</sub> catalyst sample at 673 K.



**Fig. S3** Comparison of XRD patterns of  $MnO_x$  support and  $10Fe/MnO_x$  catalyst sample reduced at the same 673 K by H<sub>2</sub>.



**Fig. S4** H<sub>2</sub>-TPR profiles of 10Fe/MnO<sub>x</sub> and 1Ag10Fe/MnO<sub>x</sub> catalysts under different temperature programing profiles.



Fig. S5  $H_2$ -TPD profiles of fresh 10Fe/MnO<sub>x</sub> and 10Fe1Ag/MnO<sub>x</sub> samples without  $H_2$  reduction.



Fig. S6 Time-dependence of selectivity to hydrocarbons obtained over 10Fe/MnO<sub>x</sub> and 1Ag/10Fe/MnO<sub>x</sub> catalysts reduced at 673 K.



**Fig. S7** Effect of Ag content in 10Fe/MnO<sub>x</sub> catalyst on time-dependence of CO conversion obtained over the catalysts at 573 K, 1.0 MPa and 7400 mL g<sup>-1</sup> h<sup>-1</sup> (H<sub>2</sub>/CO = 1.1). All catalysts were reduced in a H<sub>2</sub> stream at 673 K and 0.2 MPa for 3 h prior to reaction.



**Fig. S8** Time-dependence of the CO<sub>2</sub>-free selectivities to hydrocarbons and O/O+P ratio obtained over 10Fe/MnO<sub>x</sub> and 1Ag10Fe/MnO<sub>x</sub> catalysts during a 100-hour test at 593 K, 1 MPa and 7400 mL g<sup>-1</sup> h<sup>-1</sup> (a, b) and the relationship between CO conversion and selectivity (c).



**Fig. S9** TEM images of spent catalyst samples (reduced at 673 K):  $10Fe/MnO_x$  (a and c);  $1Ag10Fe/MnO_x$  (b and d).