## **Electronic Supplementary Information (ESI)**

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# Aggregation Induced Emission Active Bisheteroleptic Ruthenium(II) Complex for Luminescent Light-up Detection of Pyrophosphate Ion

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Chart S1: Compound used in this study







Figure S1. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of L1 in DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>.



Figure S2. <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of L1 in DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>.



Figure S3. ESI-MS spectrum of L1 in CH<sub>3</sub>OH



Figure S4. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of 1[PF<sub>6</sub>]<sub>2</sub> in CD<sub>3</sub>CN.



Figure S5. <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of 1[PF6]<sub>2</sub> in CD<sub>3</sub>CN.



Figure S6. <sup>1</sup>H-<sup>1</sup>H COSY NMR spectrum of 1[PF6]2 in CD<sub>3</sub>CN.



Figure S7. <sup>1</sup>H-<sup>13</sup>C HSQC NMR spectrum of 1[PF6]<sub>2</sub> in CD<sub>3</sub>CN.



Figure S8. Partial <sup>1</sup>H-<sup>13</sup>C HMBC NMR spectrum of 1[PF6]<sub>2</sub> in CD<sub>3</sub>CN.



Figure S9. ESI-MS spectrum of 1[PF<sub>6</sub>]<sub>2</sub> in CH<sub>3</sub>CN.

#### X-ray Crystallography

The single crystal X-ray data of  $1[PF_6]_2$  was collected at 293 K on a Bruker APEX II CCD diffractometer using graphite-monochromated MoK $\alpha$  radiation ( $\lambda = 0.71073$  Å). The data integration and reduction were processed with SAINT<sup>1</sup> software. A multi-scan absorption correction (SADABS)<sup>2</sup> was applied to the collected reflections. The structure was solved by direct methods using the programs SHELXT<sup>3</sup> and refined by full-matrix least-squares calculations (F<sup>2</sup>) using the SHELXL-2018/3 software<sup>4</sup> within the WinGX<sup>5</sup> environment. All non-H atoms except six atoms (O1, O2, C10, C18, C32, and C33) were refined anisotropically against F<sup>2</sup> for all reflections. Due to the very weak crystal dataset, O1, O2, C10, C18, C32, and C33 have high ADP; therefore, they were refined isotropically. All hydrogen atoms were placed at their calculated positions and refined isotropically. Crystal data collection and refinement details of selected bond lengths and angles for  $1[PF_6]_2$  are given in Table S1 and S2, respectively. The .cif file was deposited with the Cambridge Crystallographic Data Centre, and the following code was allocated: *CCDC No 2215176*.



Figure S10. (a) Ball and stick representation of compound  $1[PF_6]_2$  (b) ORTEP of compound  $1[PF_6]_2$  with 30% thermal ellipsoid probability. Only non-carbon and non-hydrogens are labelled.



**Figure S11.** View of the (a) unit cell packing diagram along crystallographic *a*-axis and (b) 2-dimensional (2D) network formed through the weak supramolecular interaction.

Empirical formula	$C_{40}H_{34}F_{12}N_8O_2P_2Ru$				
Formula weight	1049.76				
Temperature	293(2) K				
Wavelength	0.71073 Å				
Crystal system	Monoclinic				
Space group	<i>P</i> 2 <sub>1</sub> /n				
Unit cell dimensions	a = 12.766(4) Å	$\alpha = 89.982(8)^{\circ}.$			
	b = 29.689(8)  Å	$\beta = 101.429(8)^{\circ}.$			
	c = 15.064(4) Å	$\gamma = 90.015(9)^{\circ}$ .			
Volume	5596(3) Å <sup>3</sup>				
Z	4				
Density (calculated)	1.246 Mg/m <sup>3</sup>				
Absorption coefficient	0.413 mm <sup>-1</sup>				
F(000)	2112				
Crystal size	0.180 x 0.110 x 0.090 mm <sup>3</sup>				
Theta range for data collection	1.914 to 28.591°.				
Index ranges	-16<=h<=17, -39<=k<=39, -20<=l<=20				
Reflections collected	138492				
Independent reflections	14102 [R(int) = $0.6848$ ]				
Completeness to theta = $25.242^{\circ}$	99.7 %				
Absorption correction	Semi-empirical from equivalents				
Max. and min. transmission	0.946 and 0.929				
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F <sup>2</sup>				
Data / restraints / parameters	14102 / 8 / 558				
Goodness-of-fit on F <sup>2</sup>	1.200				
Final R indices [I>2sigma(I)]	R1 = 0.2246, wR2 = 0.4580				
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.4986, wR2 = 0.5491				
Largest diff. peak and hole	2.099 and -0.821 e.Å <sup>-3</sup>				

 Table S1 Crystal data and structure refinement for 1[PF6]2

Bond lengths(Å)						
N(1)-Ru(1)	2.099(12)	N(2)-Ru(1)	2.096(12)			
N(3)-Ru(1)	2.006(13)	N(4)-Ru(1)	2.025(14)			
N(5)-Ru(1)	2.084(11)	N(6)-Ru(1)	2.089(13)			
Bond Angles(°)						
N(3)-Ru(1)-N(4)	79.5(6)	N(3)-Ru(1)-N(6)	176.4(5)			
N(4)-Ru(1)-N(6)	97.9(6)	N(3)-Ru(1)-N(5)	98.7(5)			
N(4)-Ru(1)-N(5)	93.7(5)	N(6)-Ru(1)-N(5)	78.9(5)			
N(3)-Ru(1)-N(1)	87.6(4)	N(4)-Ru(1)-N(1)	93.4(5)			
N(6)-Ru(1)-N(1)	95.1(5)	N(5)-Ru(1)-N(1)	171.3(5)			
N(3)-Ru(1)-N(2)	94.5(5)	N(4)-Ru(1)-N(2)	171.5(5)			
N(6)-Ru(1)-N(2)	88.3(5)	N(5)-Ru(1)-N(2)	93.2(5)			
N(1)-Ru(1)-N(2)	80.3(5)					

 Table S2. Selected bond lengths [Å] and angles [°] for 1[PF6]2.



Bond lengths(Å)						
N(32)-Ru(51)	2.120	N(39)-Ru(51)	2.120			
N(11)-Ru(51)	2.119	N(4)-Ru(51)	2.126			
N(25)-Ru(51)	2.126	.126 N(18)-Ru(51)				
Bond Angles(°)						
N(32)-Ru(51)-N(39)	77.65	N(25)-Ru(51)-N(18)	78.54			
N(4)-Ru(51)-N(11)	78.54	N(39)-Ru(51)-N(18)	95.92			
N(4)-Ru(51)-N(18)	96.92	N(32)-Ru(51)-N(18)	88.98			
N(4)-Ru(51)-N(25)	88.96	N(4)-Ru(51)-N(39)	96.92			
N(25)-Ru(51)-N(11)	96.92	N(39)-Ru(51)-N(11)	88.98			
N(18)-Ru(51)-N(11)	172.72	N(39)-Ru(51)-N(25)	172.4			
N(32)-Ru(51)-N(4)	172.4					

**Table S3** Selected theoretical bond lengths [Å] and angles [°] for complex  $1[PF_6]_2$  obtainedfrom ground state optimized geometry.

	x	V	7		x	v	7
С	4.35282	3.47608	-0.24455	С	-4.37904	5.03714	0.65587
C	4 07275	2.92444	0.99171	C	-4 3352	5 4963	2.1186
C	3 08265	1 93308	1 09897	Õ	-4 26657	6 90509	2.0661
Ň	2.38636	1.48857	0.04921	Ň	-4.31093	-3.58586	-0.49623
C	2.66007	2.02391	-1.18055	C	-4.37959	-5.03667	-0.65589
Č	3.6382	3.02876	-1.37835	Č	-4.33576	-5.49584	-2.11861
С	1.90736	1.52908	-2.29453	0	-4.26727	-6.90471	-2.06606
С	2.137	2.05047	-3.59096	Ru	0.86905	-0.00004	0.0
С	3.13241	3.07139	-3.76346	Н	5.11242	4.24478	-0.35312
С	3.85285	3.53886	-2.70372	Н	4.60316	3.24329	1.88251
Ν	0.98488	0.54957	-2.04308	Н	2.84241	1.48763	2.05792
С	0.26963	0.07809	-3.06787	Н	3.30263	3.46566	-4.76085
С	0.43158	0.54126	-4.38471	Н	4.60433	4.30959	-2.84671
С	1.3644	1.52606	-4.6513	Н	-0.45299	-0.69461	-2.83117
С	1.36422	-1.5262	4.6513	Н	-0.17886	0.11756	-5.17488
С	0.43152	-0.5413	4.38471	Н	1.50895	1.89905	-5.66109
С	0.26962	-0.07811	3.06787	Н	1.50873	-1.8992	5.66109
Ν	0.98482	-0.54967	2.04308	Н	-0.17889	-0.11754	5.17488
С	1.90719	-1.52928	2.29453	Н	-0.45292	0.69466	2.83117
С	2.13678	-2.05069	3.59097	Н	4.60386	-4.31008	2.84672
С	2.65985	-2.02419	1.18055	Н	3.30225	-3.46601	4.76085
С	3.63788	-3.02914	1.37835	Н	2.84226	-1.48792	-2.05792
С	3.85247	-3.53926	2.70373	Н	4.60282	-3.24377	-1.88251
С	3.13208	-3.07172	3.76347	Н	5.11196	-4.24532	0.35313
Ν	2.38621	-1.48881	-0.04921	Н	-1.77825	-4.4824	-0.72167
С	3.08245	-1.9334	-1.09897	Н	0.21689	-3.08742	-0.51655
С	4.07245	-2.92487	-0.9917	Н	-5.4066	1.17691	0.17535
С	4.35245	-3.47653	0.24456	Н	-5.40672	-1.17635	-0.17537
С	-3.18051	-2.84791	-0.42656	Н	0.21721	3.0874	0.51656
С	-1.90075	-3.42213	-0.54226	Н	-1.77778	4.48259	0.72166
С	-0.76422	-2.63316	-0.42953	Н	-5.19407	3.10683	0.41739
Ν	-0.78339	-1.31058	-0.22037	Н	-3.56081	5.51044	0.10494
C	-2.01198	-0.71051	-0.11289	Н	-5.30773	5.38376	0.19539
С	-3.23203	-1.41693	-0.21531	H	-5.23278	5.13641	2.64431
C	-2.01191	0.71072	0.11288	Н	-3.45888	5.05562	2.62328
C	-3.23189	1.41727	0.2153	Н	-4.43988	7.26827	2.94757
C	-4.44672	0.6769	0.10051	H	-5.19439	-3.10626	-0.4174
C	-4.44679	-0.67644	-0.10052	H	-3.56143	-5.51007	-0.10493
N	-0.78325	1.31066	0.22037	H	-5.30834	-5.38317	-0.19544
C	-0.76395	2.63324	0.42952	H	-5.23329	-5.1359	-2.64435
C	-1.90039	3.42233	0.54225	H	-3.45938	-5.05529	-2.62329
C	-3.18021	2.84825	0.42655	Н	-4.44053	-7.26787	-2.94755
Ν	-4.31055	3.58632	0.4962				

**Table S4.** The x,y,z cartesian coordinates of complex **1**, obtained from DFT optimization at B3LYP/6-31G (d, p) // LANL2DZ level.

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