## **Supplementary Materials**

## Coordination driven self-assembly of four new molecular boats using a flexible imidazole containing donor linker

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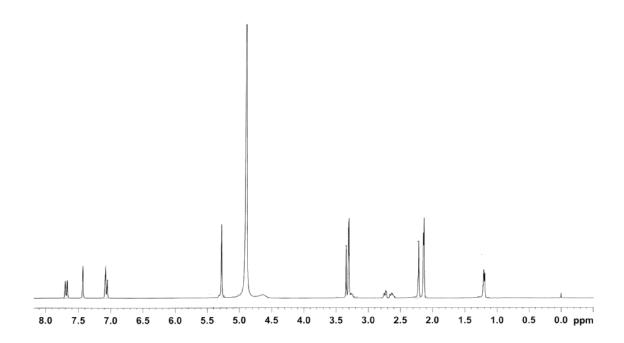


Fig-S1:  $^{1}$ H NMR of **2b**. Peaks at  $\delta$  4.88 ppm is corresponding to solvent water in MeOH-d<sub>4</sub>

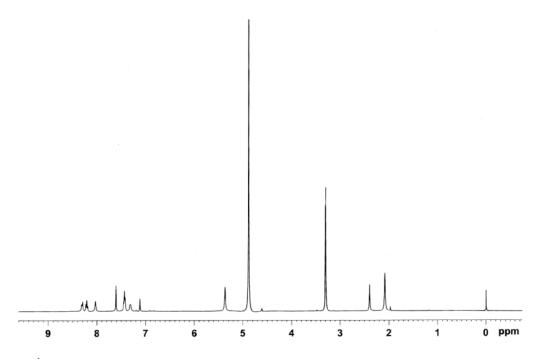


Fig-S2:  $^{1}$ H NMR of **2c**. Peak at  $\delta$  4.88 ppm is corresponding to water in MeOH-d<sub>4</sub>.

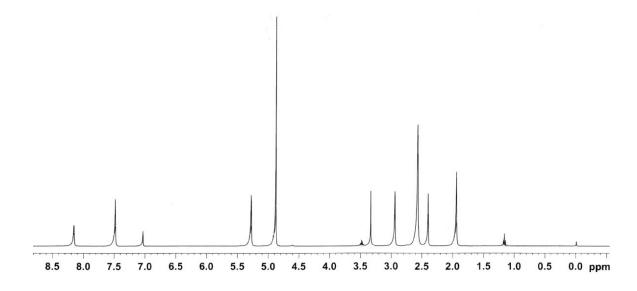


Fig-S3:  $^{1}$ H NMR of **2d**. Peaks at  $\delta$  4.88 and at 3.5 and 1.2 ppm are corresponding to solvent water and ether.