#### **Supplementary Information for**

#### Synthesis and reactivity of silylated tetrathiafulvalenes

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Figure S1. <sup>29</sup>Si{<sup>1</sup>H} and 2D-HMQC spectra of 8



#### **Computational Studies**

All calculations were done with predetermined symmetry. Starting coordinates were taken from the crystal structure analysis of the TTF substituted silanes **11** and **12** prior to energy optimization at the B3LYP/6-31+G(d) level. Additional harmonic vibrational frequency analyses (to establish the nature of stationary point on the potential energy surface) were performed on the same level and showed no imaginary frequency. Table S2 lists the total and zero-point energy of **11** and **12**. Standard orientations of the model systems can be found in tables S3, S4, S5 and S6.

model	total energy (Hartree)	zero point energy (Hartree)
11 (crystal)	-4385.026652	-4384.731717
conf-11	-4385.026811	-4384.731813
12 (crystal)	-4015.672340	-4015.452788
conf-12	-4015.673568	-4015.454053

Table S1 Results from Quantum Chemical Studies on the model systems..

Table S2 Standard Orientation of 11.

atomic symbol	Х	Y	Z
Н	0.1779385364	-0.5627214558	-3.4064206888
Н	1.6160721527	-0.5971252013	-2.3685321819
С	0.5386003187	-0.7976692088	-2.3969820542
Н	8.4521919839	-1.3056002627	-2.2466856112
Н	0.4033270805	-1.8727526424	-2.2291332239
Н	-0.4617085194	2.3361539044	-2.4935518375
Н	-2.1516000085	-1.9335512123	-2.4284292312
С	7.9362442243	-0.7812454396	-1.4500822648
С	-2.7358258879	-1.1994622188	-1.8831696963
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С	8.4216380574	0.2833917682	-0.797149361
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Н	0.9476955233	2.3695894011	-1.4157847458
Si	-0.3599160632	0.2572837063	-1.1030291807
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Н	-0.4033270805	1.8727526424	2.2291332239
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Н	-1.6160721527	0.5971252013	2.3685321819
Н	-0.1779385364	0.5627214558	3.4064206888

 Table S3 Standard Orientation of conf-11.

atomic symbol	Х	Y	Ζ
С	-0.0350583976	0.010840792	-0.0607302326
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 Table S5 Standard Orientation of conf-12.

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Н	-2.4781666927	4.2004403575	1.3006602846
Н	-2.1811023341	4.5317276392	-0.4140642138

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# Figure S2. Illustration of the two energetically comparable conformers found in the flexible silyl bridged TTF's

