

**Fig. S1.** (a) Crystal packing of **1** along the bc plane; (b) View of the assembly of aromatic cations of **1** showing the  $\pi$ - $\pi$  stacking (grey shade) between the pyridine rings of central neighbouring cations.

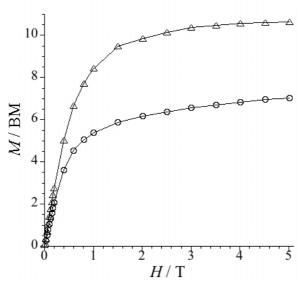


Fig. S2. Field dependence of M in Bohr magnetons (BM) of 1 ( $\Delta$ ) and 2 ( $\circ$ ) at 2.0 K. The solid lines are eye-guides.