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Altered Reaction Pathways of Eutectic LiBH₄-Mg(BH₄)₂ by

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Fig. S1 XRD patterns of **a** LiBH₄ ball-milled for 12h; **b** α -Mg(BH₄)₂; **c** ball-milled α -Mg(BH₄)₂, i.e. β -Mg(BH₄)₂; **d** LMBH composite prepared by ball-milling; **e** LMBH composite after heating treatment at 190°C under 40 bar of H₂; **f** LMBH/IRH33 composite



Fig. S2 *Ex situ* X-ray diffraction patterns of the decomposed products of the eutectic $LiBH_4$ -Mg(BH₄)₂ at different temperatures



Fig. S3 ¹¹B MAS-NMR spectra of samples of LMBH/IRH33 at different stages of dehydrogenation **a'** starting material LMBH/IRH33; **b'** sample desorbed at 280 °C; **c'** sample desorbed at 380°C; **c''** NMR double angle rotation experiments¹ for the decomposed sample at 380°C (see spectrum) **d'** sample desorbed 410 °C, *Indicates spinning side bands

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