

## **Supporting information for contribution:**

### **A new family of spin crossover complexes based on Fe<sup>II</sup>(tetrazolyl)<sub>4</sub>(MeCN)<sub>2</sub>-type core**

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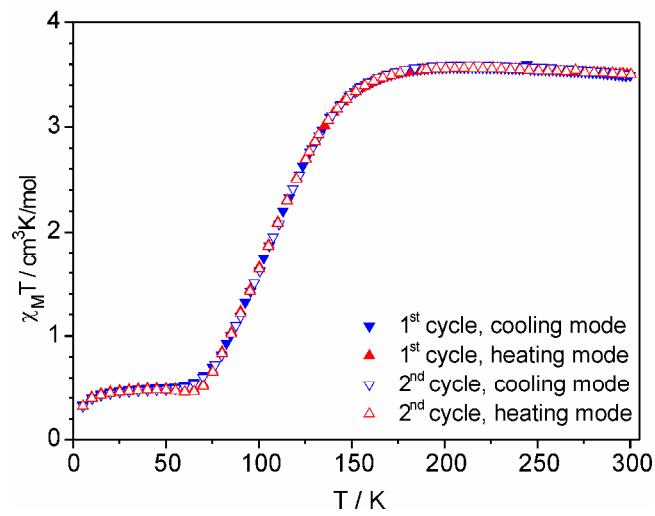
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### Analytical characterization of compound 2:

Anal calcd for C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>8</sub>N<sub>8</sub>O: C, 30.6; H, 4.1; N, 57.1. Found: C, 30.5; H, 4.1.; N, 57.4%. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>) δ: 9.31 (s, 2H, CH of tetrazol-1-yl), 5.77 (br d, 1H, -CH(OH)-, <sup>3</sup>J=5.6Hz), 4.69 (dd, 2H, -CHH-tetrazol-1-yl, <sup>2</sup>J=13.9Hz, <sup>3</sup>J=3.2Hz), 4.42 (dd, 2H, -CHH-tetrazol-1-yl, <sup>2</sup>J=13.9Hz, <sup>3</sup>J=7.9Hz), 4.21-4.34 (m, 1H, -CH(OH)-) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>) δ: 144.7 (tetrazol-1-yl), 67.1 (-CH(OH)-), 50.9 (-CH<sub>2</sub>-) ppm. ESI-MS: m/z 197.1 (LH<sup>+</sup>).

### Analytical characterization of compound 3:

Anal calcd for C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>8</sub>N<sub>8</sub>O: C, 30.6; H, 4.1; N, 57.1. Found: C, 30.7; H, 4.0; N, 57.1%. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>) δ: 8.96 (s, 2H, CH of tetrazol-2-yl), 5.66 (d, 1H, -CH(OH)-, <sup>3</sup>J=6.2Hz), 4.92 (dd, 2H, -CHH-tetrazol-2-yl, <sup>2</sup>J=13.7Hz, <sup>3</sup>J=3.9Hz), 4.81 (dd, 2H, -CHH-tetrazol-2-yl, <sup>2</sup>J=13.6Hz, <sup>3</sup>J=7.6Hz), 4.54-4.66 (m, 1H, -CH(OH)-) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>) δ: 153.3 (tetrazol-2-yl), 67.5 (-CH(OH)-), 55.7 (-CH<sub>2</sub>-) ppm. ESI-MS: m/z 197.1 (LH<sup>+</sup>).



**Figure s1.** The  $\chi_M T(T)$  plot for **4** in cooling and heating modes.