## **Supporting Information**

NMR spectra, IR spectra, crystal and refinement data and bond parameters of *fac*-1, *fac*-2 and 3. Crystallographic data (CIF).

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Figure S1b.  ${}^{31}P{}^{1}H$ -NMR spectrum of 1 (CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>).



Figure S1c. IR spectrum of 1.



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Figure S2e. IR spectrum of mer-2.



Figure S3a. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectrum of 3 (CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>).



Figure S3b.  ${}^{13}C{}^{1}H$ -NMR spectrum of 3 (CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>).



Figure S3c.  ${}^{31}P{}^{1}H$ -NMR spectrum of 3 (CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>).



Figure S3d.  $^{125}$ Te{ $^{1}$ H}-NMR spectrum of 3 (CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>).



Figure S3e. IR spectrum of 3.



**Figure S4a**. Stacked plot of the  ${}^{31}P{}^{1}H$  NMR spectra (THF) showing formation and the equilibrium between *fac-2*, *mer-2* and the formation of **3**.