Supplementary Information

High performance magnesium-based plastic semiconductors for flexible thermoelectrics

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Supplementary Fig. 1 Compressive strain-stress curve of polycrystalline Mg₃Bi₂ with its optical image.



Supplementary Fig. 2 Tensile strain-stress curves of polycrystalline Mg_3Sb_2 and Mg_3Bi_2 .



Supplementary Fig. 3 Fracture surface morphology of polycrystalline $Mg_3Sb_{2-x}Bi_x$ after compression.



Supplementary Fig. 4 Temperature dependence of Seebeck coefficient *S*, electrical conductivity σ and thermal conductivity κ of polycrystalline Te-doped Mg₃Sb_{2-x}Bi_x: Mg₃Sb_{0.5}Bi_{1.498}Te_{0.002}, Mg₃SbBi_{0.99}Te_{0.01}, Mg₃Sb_{1.5}Bi_{0.48}Te_{0.02}.



Supplementary Fig. 5 Compressive strain-stress curve of p-type polycrystalline Mg₃Sb₂, Mg₃Sb_{1.5}Bi_{0.5}, Mg₃SbBi without doping



Supplementary Fig. 6 Charge density differences of Mg_3Sb_2 and Mg_3Bi_2 . The localized electron accumulation can be found between the Mg and Sb/Bi atoms.



Supplementary Fig. 7 CDDs of Mg₃Sb₂ at different relative displacements (RD) along the [100](001) slip direction.



Supplementary Fig. 8 CDDs projection on (001) plane of Mg₃Sb₂ at different RD along the [100](001) slip direction.



Supplementary Fig. 9 CDDs of Mg₃Bi₂ at different relative displacements (RD) along the [100](001) slip direction.



Supplementary Fig. 10 CDDs projection on (001) plane of Mg₃Bi₂ at different RD along the [100](001) slip direction.



Supplementary Fig. 11 ICOHPs of Mg1-Bi, Mg2-Bi and Mg3-Bi with RD = 0 and RD = 0.5.



Supplementary Fig. 12 Dicing images of polycrystalline Mg₃Sb₂, Ag₂(Te,S) and (Bi,Sb)₂Te₃, and Bi₂(Te,Se)₃ with different dimensions.



Supplementary Fig. 13 Dicing images of $(Bi,Sb)_2Te_3$ and $Bi_2(Te,Se)_3$ with dimension of $150 \times 150 \ \mu m^2$.



Supplementary Fig. 14 Different dimensions of polycrystalline $Mg_3Sb_{0.5}Bi_{1.498}Te_{0.002}$ by cutting.



Supplementary Fig. 15 Contact resistance between Mg₃Sb_{0.5}Bi_{1.498}Te_{0.002} and Cu electrode.