## How to get to the MDC

Here we provide some more practical help:

You can get schedules and route maps for public transportation to the MDC by the BVG (Berlin public transportation) or by the DB Bahn (German rail road):

<u>BVG</u> DB Bahn

But please read the following practical advice:

To get from almost anywhere in Berlin to almost anywhere else in Berlin (including the MDC) by public transportation you need to buy a ticket, the so-called "AB" ticket (2 Euros 10 Cents, vending machines typically near the station or right on the platform, vending machines accept cash (also bills) and EC cards). This is not a return ticket, but you can change freely between S-Bahn (local speed train), U-Bahn (subway) or bus to get to your final destination. Exception: from Schönefeld Airport you need to buy an "ABC" ticket (2 Euros 80 Cents).

In general: Don't forget to stamp the ticket.



**Vending machine** 

how to stamp your ticket

When you arrive at the S-Bahn station Berlin-Buch (S2 in direction "Buch"or "Bernau"): take the stairs located near the front of the train to get to the bus stop. There is a bus which takes you directly to the MDC campus. This is "Bus 351" to "Robert-Rössle-Str".

To get to the MDC you need to get off at the last bus station (Robert-Rössle-Str). As the bus departs every 20 minutes, you might be interested to take a cab (called taxi). There is a taxi stand right next to the S-Bahn station in Buch, and there are almost always cabs waiting for customers. The ride to the MDC will cost about 5 Euros 50 Cents

## General rules of thumb:

- 1. A cab ride from the MDC to lively "downtown" neighborhoods such as Prenzlauer Berg or Berlin–Mitte takes ~30 minutes and costs ~22-30 Euros.
- 2. A cab ride from Tegel Airport to the MDC takes roughly 40 minutes (~40 Euros).
- 3. Be warned: a cab ride from Schönefeld Airport to the MDC takes ~45 minutes and can cost up to 80 Euros.
- 4. Example: from Alexanderplatz to MDC by public transportation (U Bahn, S Bahn, Bus) you have to calculate 1 hour commute time (2 Euros 10 Cents).
- 5. Cab drivers in Germany do not expect a lot of tip. For a fare of ~30 Euros, a tip of 2 Euros is normal. It is always a good idea to have the destination address written on a piece of paper, not all cab drivers are fluent in English...