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IU Food Institute (IUFI)

IUFI will hold its first seminar this Tuesday. In conjunction with the Center for Research on Race and Ethnicity in Society, we are holding a planning session to discuss issues raised by the recent **farmers market controversy** in Bloomington and what sort of role we (IUFI, CRRES, IU more generally) might play going forward, including the possibility of planning a larger community event. The Bloomington experience of course raises broader issues regarding farmers markets, the so-called “food movement,” race, class and privilege (and of course much else) that need addressing. We are working on a list of questions to guide the discussion, though recognize that any effort to “guide” such a discussion may prove futile. If you have not already heard it, Kayte Young’s Earth Eats podcast on “[Farmers Markets and Whiteness](#)” from earlier this summer is worth a listen. Hope to see you there.