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Leanne Pilkington recognised as best of the best

Real Estate Institute of Australia board member Leanne Pilkington has been recognised for her outstanding contribution to the real estate profession in taking out the top gong at the inaugural REB Women in Real Estate Awards.

Australia's top female real estate professionals vied for awards in 20 individual categories and seven company awards.

REIA President Adrian Kelly said Leanne was a well deserving winner of the Association Professional of the Year Award.

"Leanne is an exceptional talent," he said. "Her leadership as REINSW President, REIA Board member and Laing+Simmons Managing Director gives her a strong voice in the industry and her positive contribution has led to her success."

All the category winners are considered for the Excellence Award with the one that scored the highest by the judges taking out the top title.

"Competition for the Excellence Award was fierce with Leanne beating the 26 other winners from 100 finalists and over 400 entries," Mr Kelly said.

"Leanne's ability to connect with real estate professionals is exceptional. . Her support and encouragement of women to aspire to more senior positions and leadership roles makes her an outstanding ambassador."

REB Women in Real Estate Awards were held last night at The Four Seasons Hotel in Sydney.

The Real Estate Institute of Australia (REIA) is the national professional association for real estate agents in Australia. For further information or to speak with REIA President Adrian Kelly please contact Helen Hull via media@reia.com.au or 0419 642 961.